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6-39 P.M. 1907.				
30th Nov.	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
7th Dec.	MARMORA	10509		
14th „	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
21st „	ARABIA	7903		
28th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	9500
1908.				
4th Jan.	PERSIA	7951		
11th „	ORIENTAL	5284	INDIA	7911
18th „	OCEANA	6610		
25th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9505
1st Feb.	EGYPT	7912		
8th „	CALEDONIA	7558	VICTORIA	6922
15th „	ORIENTAL	5284		
22nd „	MACEDONIA	10512		
29th „	ARCADIA	6603		
7th Mar.	CALEDONIA	7558	BRITANNIA	6925
14th „	ARABIA	7903		
21st „	CALEDONIA	7558	MOOLTAN	9621
28th „	PERSIA	7951		
4th Apr.	MARMORA	10509		
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9th „	CALEDONIA	7558		
16th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9505
23rd „	ARABIA	7903		

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AUSTRALIEN	6,365	Verron	20th Feb. „
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AFRICA	4506	P. Badessich	1st April 1908
IMPERATOR	4140	F. Mosca	16th April 1908
KOERBER	5301	A. Foresti	1st May 1908
BOHEMIA	4282	M. Dabcevich	16th May 1908
AFRICA	4506	P. Badessich	1st June 1908

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* † CHINA	5999	A. de Petris	25th Dec.
* † F. FERDINAND	6046	C. Matcovich	25th Jan. 1908,
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Karachi	44	..	40	...	33	..

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	City of Madrid	...	3 Dec.	11 Dec.	21 Dec.	15 Jan 08
	City of Glasgow	...	15 „	25 „	4 Jan. 08	28 „

APPROXIMATE SAILINGS FROM BOMBAY.

Class.	Steamers.	Tons.	Due Karachi.	Leave Karachi.	Due Suez.	Due Liverpool.
†‡	City of London	...	...	...	7 Dec.	...
‡	Trafford Hall	...	22 Nov.	23 „	10 Mar.	12 Jan. 18 „
	City of Calcutta	..	5 Feb.	10 Mar.	..	2 April
	City of London	...	15 „	24 „	..	15 „
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Suit No. 110 of 1907.

KEVALA DHANA and COMPANY, a firm, carrying on business at Bhendy Bazar, outside the Fort of Bombay..... Plaintiffs.

VERSUS

1 DAMODHAR GOVINDRAO, 2 DINANATH GOVINDRAO, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitants, residing at 8th Kamatipura Street, and 3 LAXMAN GOVINDRAO, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Thana, outside the Fort of Bombay..... Defendants.

WHEREAS by a decree made in the above Suit on the 10th day of August 1907, it was ordered *inter alia* that the Defendants should pay to the Plaintiffs compensation for the use and occupation of certain properties situate at 8 Kamatipura Street, at the rate of Rupes Ten per month from 12th day of September, 1906, until possession of the said properties was given and that the Defendants should pay to the plaintiffs their costs of this suit when taxed.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY SITUATE AT THE CORNER OF THE GUN BOW STREET AND PARSEE BAZAAR ST., FORT.

Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will, THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 27th November, 1907, at 4-30 P. M. (S. T.), sell at the premises by Public Auction, the following immoveable property by order of the executors of the late Mr. Dorabji Pallonji Powvala.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground together with the message tenement or range of shops and offices standing thereon situate lying and being at the corner of Gun Bow Street and Parsee Bazaar Street in the Registration district and sub-district of Bombay containing by admeasurement 217 2/9 square yards or thereabouts (of which 201 square yards or thereabouts are of quit and ground rent tenure and 16 2/9 square yards being the portion on which steps are situate are of sufferance tenure) and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue, under Collector's Old Nos. 357 and 357, New Nos. 5318 and 5319, Old Survey Nos. 533 and 539 and New Survey No. 9104 and assessed by the Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under A. Ward No. 1571, Street Nos. 134, 136, 138, 140, Parsee Bazar Street and 77-79-81 & 83 Gun Bow Street and are bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the east by the aforesaid Parsee Bazar Street, on or towards the west by the property of Dhunjibhoy Dorabji Powvala and Festonji Dorabji Powvala, on or towards the north by the aforesaid Gun Bow Street, and on or towards the south partly by the property of Dhanbaiji, daugher of Manekji Muncherji [illegible] and partly by the property of Dinshaw Dorabji Mistri [illegible] premises are at present in the occupation [illegible] executors and their tenants.

[illegible] particulars and conditions of sale [illegible] be made to Messrs. Bicknell, Merwarji [illegible] torneys for the said executors at their [illegible] K. Hummum Street, Fort, or to the Under-

[illegible] THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at 2-30 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at No. 1, next to Sethna Cottage, behind B. B. and C. I. R. Mahalaxmee Station, the valuable and handsome artistic design teak and blackwood household furniture made to order, such as drawing-room suit of sofas and chairs, cabinets, sideboard, dinner waggon, English bedsteads, single and double almirahs, marble-topped dressing and wash-hand tables, cottage piano by Ronish, glassware, crockery-ware, best plated-ware, ice box with filter, large size bronze horse with pair of candelabra, large coal cooking stove, Chambers' Encyclopædia and Encyclopædia Britannica in revolving case, books, 400 days' gold gilt time-piece, English made chatwood safe on stand, revolving baloon clock, black-wood old carved chiffoniers, writing desk, teapoys etc., (suitable for Home Presents), electric lamps, large medicine chest, China jars, lot of photographic kit, such as half plate Lancaster camera, complete, 5 x 4 by 44 compound condenser, enlarging camera, lenses, lamp, pocket aluminium cameras, 6 focussing glasses, 6 quarter plate negative protectors, accumulator for motors (Fullmen), retouching desk, 6 double darkslides, glazing machine, a lot of unused negative plates, chemicals, microscope, scale, etc., a collection of choice and rare garden plants in tubs, 12 large size rubber plants in tubs, also palms, roses, orchards, etc., bicycle, ginricksha, garden tools, etc., the property of F. H. STELLING, Esq.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY FINE WHITE JEEVAN PEARLS.

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 28th inst., at 3 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms in Fort by order of the mortgagees Messrs. Mulchand Hemraj and Asanand Magamnal and on account and at the risk of the mortgagor, Arab Hasan-bin-Sale-bin-Numan :

1 Bundle very fine white Jeevan Pearls about 330 Poona chows.

and

1 Bundle Sidh Pearls about 70 chows,

In small lots to suit buyers a deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale and the balance to be paid and the pearls cleared within 3 days from the date of sale. For further particulars apply to Messrs. Little and Co., solicitors, for the mortgagees at their Office, Old Secretariat, Fort, or to the Undersigned.

The above lots are on view at the Rooms of the Undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE WHITE ROUND JEEWAN PEARLS.

Under instructions from R. D. Sethna, Esq., the Acting Official Assignee and Assignee of the estate of Abdul Wahab bin Ebrahim bin Jamal, an insolvent, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, in Bank Street, Fort, TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 28th Nov. 3-30 p. m. (S. T.).

10 Valuable white round Jeewan Pearls weighing about 5 1/4 chows.

A deposit of 25 per cent. well be required at the time of sale and the balance to be paid and pearls cleared within two days after the sale.

The Pearls are on view at the Rooms of the Auctioneers.

Auction Sale Of Woollen Piece Goods, Ready Made Suits, Hats, Shop Furniture, etc.

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, the 28th instant, at 2-30 p. m. (S.T.), Messrs. Crawford & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Teffu Bazaar, opposite the Head Police Office, near Crawford Markets, the stock-in-trade of the late Haji Noormahomed Haji Tailor consisting of cashmere, flannel coating, tweed, etc., ready-made suits, neckties, collars, trunks, Panama felt and Alpine hats, glassdoor cupboards, stands, etc.

The above is now on view.

BONA FIDE SALE.

On FRIDAY next the 29th Inst., at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the "Cabins," Middle Colaba, opposite the Post Office, the valuable and neat teak-wood and blackwood dining-room, drawing-room and bed-room furniture made to order such as set of dining table and chairs, mirror, sideboard, dinner waggon, drawing-room sofas and chairs, cabinets, English bedsteads, single and double almiras, marble topped dressing and wash-hand tables, clothes press, cottage piano by Knake in good order, first rate full size slate billiard table by Roberts, with balls, cues, &c., steel wheel rubber-tyred vis-a-vis, powerful waler horse, table ornaments, pictures, carpets, windproof lamps, garden plants, etc., the property of the late D. Duncan, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property is on view.

On SATURDAY, the 30th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the Minocher Villa (2nd floor), Sassoon Dock Road, Middle Colaba, (behind Mithi Lodge), the valuable and handsome French polished teakwood and blackwood household furniture of the latest design, consisting of set of dining table and chairs, mirror sideboard, dinner-waggon, drawing-room suite of sofas and chairs, cabinets, marble-topped tables and teapoys, bedstead, single and double mirror-door almiras, clothes and gown presses, chest of drawers, marble-topped dressing and wash-hand tables, cottage piano by Marks and Co., English Ice box by Bolton, American organ, open carved blackwood chiffonier, writing table, chairs, teapoys, etc., suitable for presents, glassware, crockeryware, plateware, windproof lamps, pictures, Brussell's carpets, rich table ornaments, etc., the property of J. E. Monk, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property is now on view.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT SEWRI.

Under the directions of Bai Bhikibai and Thakubai widows and Administrices of Hari Dwarkaji Thakur, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on SUNDAY the 1st December, 1907, at 4-30 p. m. (S. T.), on account and at the risk of the mortgagors, Moroba Vithoba, Mukund Moroba and Damji Moroba, in pursuance of the power of sale contained in the Indenture of mortgage, dated 8th January 1897 and made between the abovenamed mortgages of the first part and the said Hari Dwarkaji Thakur of the other part, the following batty fields, on the premises.

DESRIPTION.

All that piece or parcel of Government Toka land of batty fields situate at Sewri containing by admeasurements 11548 square yards or thereabouts registered in the Books of Collector of Land Revenue under Old No 177-218-218, New No. 14358, 14427 and New Survey No. 1-2368 in the name of Moroba Vithoba Patel in the Registration sub-district of Bombay, on or towards the East by the public passage, or towards the West and North by the ground of Narayen Vithoba Patel, on or towards the south by the ground of Haji Elias Haji Mahomed and Luxman Namaji.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the Undersigned or to Messrs. Madharji Kamdar and Chotabhai, attorneys for the said Bai Bhikibai and Thakubai, at their Office, Esplanade Road, Fort.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT COWASJI PATEL ST., FORT.

Under instructions from Bai Hirabai, widow of Dinshawji Sorabji Bhaya and Mr. Pestonji Byramji Lala, the present trustees of a deed of trust made on the 10th July, 1882, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will

SALES BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY.—Contd.

sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th December, 1907, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.), the following valuable landed property on the premises.

PARTICULARS.

All that piece or parcel of quit and ground rent land or ground situate at or near Cowasji Patel Street in the Island of Bombay containing by admeasurement one hundred and seventeen square yards or thereabouts, registered in the name of Jervan Jawas Patell in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue for quit and ground rent under Old No, 234 and under New No. 5098 and under Old Survey Nos. 371 and 372 and under New Survey No. 9003, and secondly, all that piece or parcel of fazendari land containing by admeasurement twenty-two square yards and five ninths of a square yard or thereabouts, and of which one Crustna Maccondji Sett is the fazendar, and which piece of land adjoins the land firstly hereinbefore described, together with messuage, tenement standing partly on the said piece of land firstly hereinbefore described, and partly on the said piece of land secondly hereinbefore described, and which said messuage was formerly assessed by the Collector of House Assessment under No. 23 and now under No. 28, and which said premises are bounded as follows:—

On or towards the North by the property formerly of Merwanjee Maneckjee Heerjee Wadya and now of Edaljee Hirjeebhoy Sassoona, on the East by the said Cowasjee Patel Street, on the West and South by the property of Pestonjee Bhiccajee, and which said premises are situate within the registration sub-district of Fort and Colaba, and which said premises were formerly in the occupation of the said Sorabjee Ruttonjee Bhaya and of his tenants, and now of the tenants of Heerabai, widow of Dinsha Sorabji Bhaya, and Pestonji Byramjee Lala. The trustees appointed by a deed of trust, dated 10th July, 1882.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to Messrs. Bicknell Merwanjee and Romer, attorneys for the present trustees, at their Office No. 14, K. Hummum Street, Fort, or to the Undersigned.

CRAWFORD & Co.

BOMBAY, 27TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

BENNETT & COMPANY,
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of very Val

GRAND AUCTION SALE

OF

Antique Imperial

China Porcelain.

UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM

E. W. BRYANT, Esq.

Messrs. BENNETT & Co.

Will sell by Public Auction to the Highest Bidder, without limit or reserve, the above-mentioned Collection, Comprising

VASES, CARAFFES, PLATES, BOWLS, Etc.

ON THE

28th & 30 th November, 1907, at 2-30 p.m.

AT THE

CARPET DEPOT,

MEADOWS STREET, FORT.

(at the corner of Bell Lane.)

Ladies are respectfully invited.

Mr. A. M. JACOB, late of Simla, has kindly consented to hold the Hammer.

☞ ***The articles are now on view.***

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE City Line steamer City of London, 5,693 tons, Captain J Black, arrived in harbour yesterday from Karachi, with a general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Uma, 3,520 tons, Captain P Cammack, sailed yesterday for Calcutta, &c. with a general cargo.

THE Bombay Japan Line steamer Yetorofu Maru, 3,067 tons, Captain K Sato, will sail to-day for Kobe, &c. with a general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Seakla, 3,437 tons, Captain R Brown, will sail to-day for Jeddah, with a general cargo, 1,530 pilgrims as passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Nerbudda, 1,963 tons, Captain M G Williams, arrived in harbour yesterday from the Persian Gulf via Karachi, with a general cargo and 6 cabin and 280 deck passengers.

MEN-OF-WAR & ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

IN GOVT. DOCKYARD.

H M S Proserpine ... Capt James ... R Navy
R I M S Investigator ... R I M

In the stream.

R M S Hyacinth ... Capt A W Heneage ... R Navy

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—Nov. 26.

Sarnia ... 2511 Morgan ... Graham & Co
Scandinavia ... 2439 ... Ashton Cory Bros Co
City of London ... 5693 Black ... K Nixon & Co
Dumra ... 762 Hirst ... M M & Co
Hooghly ... 993 Jenkins ... B & I S N Co
Hind ... 849 Hall ... P O Cammell & Co
Ipswich ... 515 Pelling ... P O Cammell & Co
Hilsa ... 339 Alton ... Shah S N Co
Sarnia ... 2511 Morgan ... M M & Co
Lantara ... 2157 Aust ... M M & Co
Nerbudda ... 1963 Williams ... M M & Co
Seakle ... 2041 Corkh ... M M & Co
Nowshera ... 1904 Mack ... T Morrison & Co
Oriental ... 2485 Palm ... Bombay Co
President ... 2081 Tepe ... P & O Co
Quetta ... 4744 Cook ... A Strauds
Mehmudi ... 1372 Sco ... M & Co
Shah Najam ... 2751 Da ... B & I S N Co
Shah Anwer ... 1922 Pr ... H A Hassun
Shah Nasir ... 2755 G ... H A Hassun
Shah Head ... 2992 C ... Shah N N Co
Arrow Hall ... 2139 J ... Bombay Co
... ... K Nixon & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK—Nov. 26.

P SINCE'S DOCK.

Vessel.	Tons.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agents.
B Clan Sinclair	3293	Oliver	Chittagong	28-11	F Malr & Co
C & E Trafford Hall	4436	Hood	Karachi	30-11	K Nixon & Co
D & E Umzumbi	2147	A Mitchell	Dunkirk	30-11	W A G & G Co
E Shahjehan	2586	S Grant	Mauritius	29-11	Haji Hassun
G Nasseri	1115	S Gray	Mauritius	30-11	B & I S N Co
H Morocco	2992	Hall	Liverpool	3-12	F Malr & Co
H Yetorofu Maru	3067	Sato Kobe	Kobe	27-11	K N Kaisha
M Sealda	3438	Brown	Jeddah	27-11	M M & Co
N Farringford	2578	Chaplin	Baltimore	30-11	R A Willis
O Alavi	2324	Gaudin	N Y	2-12	P & O Co
P Westminster	2810	Bellson	Kobe	30-11	Glade & Co
Q Kaiser	1714	Mob	Durban	3-12	A Strandes

H W P D

Courland ... 709 Ebrahim ... Porta ... 28-11 Bo S N Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Merton Hall	2727	Prawse	Marseilles	28-11	K Nixon & Co
2 Circassia	1215	Haligan	Liverpool	3-12	W & A G & Co
3 Westmuir	2781	Duncombe	Liverpool	7-12	W & A G & Co
4 Ashanti	2186	Burrough	N Y		K Nixon & Co
5 Calne	396	MacConachie	Antwerp	7-12	M M & Co
7 Marengo	3279	Holgson	N Y		M M & Co
8 Africa	2563	Badenich	Trieste	1-12	A L S N Co
10 & 11 Dalhousie	4784	Andrews	Shanghai	27-11	P & O Co
12 Marmora	3230	Weston	London	6-12	P & O Co

M W D D

Capri ... 2781 Belsito ... Hongkong ... 17-12 P & R S N Co
Proviser ... 57 Ahmed ... N F ... Bo S N Co

ARRIVALS.

Nov.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
26	Nerbudda s	Williams	Bareich Nov 13
	City of London s	Block	Bareich Nov 23

DEPARTURES.

Nov.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
26	Cobra s	Cammack	Calcutta &c
	Wistow Hall s	Meris	Calcutta

The following vessels obtained their portclearances yesterday :—

Steamer Seakla Brown for Jeddah.
" Yetorofu Maru-Sato, for Kobe &c

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—

Steamer St. Helens for Hull Liverpool &c
" Hild for Bangkok &c
" Caledonien for Marseilles.

DAILY EXPORTS.—NOV. 26.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Circassia s—33 bales wool, E Sewji; 6,027 cwts cottonseed, Ratli Bros; 70 bales wool, R Dossa and C; 13 bales twist H M Mehta and Co.
Morton Hall 100 bales hemp E Oomersey.

FOR GLASGOW.

Circassia s—18 bales twist W M Mehta and Co

FOR LONDON.

Marmora s—80 cwts buffalo horns, J M Rehimtoola; 80 cwts buffalo horns, G Sucedina; 19 bales skins P Eduji Boyce and Sons.

FOR GHENT.

Morocco s—2 bales twist H M Mehta and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Circassia s—5 bales twist, Kahn and Kahn; 45 cwts copiate, Dewji Pasoo and Co; 200 cwts gum, G Sajpal.
Caledonian s—2 cases skins Kahn and Kahn.

FOR BARCELONA.

Circassia s—50 bales cotton, Glade and Co.

FOR MANCHESTER.

Circassia s—190 bales twist, Bradbury Brady and Co,

FOR NEW YORK.

Marmora s—1 bale carpets, Finlay Muire and Co.

FOR HULL.

Morocco s—400 cwts yellow ochre, Ewart Latham and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Umzumbie s—4,017 cwts linseed and 17,417 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros; 2,000 cwts linseed, Shaw Wallace and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Calne s—1,000 cwts manganese ore, Kiddle Rieve and Co; 2,008 cwts myrabollams, Ebjee Oomersey.

FOR ROTTERDAM.

Morocco s—bale twist H M Mehta and Co.

FOR GENOA.

Saint Helena s—200 tons old iron, N Futehally and Co.
Merton Hall s—5,000 cwts linseed, Killick Nixon and Co; 5 bales twist, Khanu Bros; 1,440 cwts linseed, Louis Dreyfus and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Africa s—150 bales twist, A Schwarz and Co; 52 bales twist, W and A Graham and Co; 38 bales twist, Mowji Mehta Samrat and Co; 145 cwtoil banum, A Hand Co; 6 bales twist, W and A Graham and Co.

FOR VENICE.

Africa s—300 bales cotton, Walter Pawri and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Delhi s—2 cwts ivory, A Visram; 151 cwts cloves, K N Miani, and 30 chests opium, C Ebrahim and Co; 10 chests opium, S J David and Co; 40 chests opium, M H E Elias; 1 chest opium, J Pedar; 10 chests opium, E D Sassoon and Co; 1 chest opium, P and O S N Co; 10 chests opium, P B Petit and Co; 14 chests opium, David Sassoon and Co; 25 chests opium, M H E Elias; 2 chests opium, E D Sassoon and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Delhi s—30 chests opium, C Ebrahim and Co; 80 chests opium, David Sassoon and Co; 137 1/2 chests opium, C Bomanji and Co; 30 chests opium, S J David and Co; 12 1/2 chests opium, Tata Sons and Co; 40 chests opium, E D Sassoon and Co; 1 chest opium, P B Petit and Co.

FOR KOBE.

Yetorofu Maru s—100 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading and Co; 60 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading and Co.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Yetorofu Maru s—134 cwts blood manure, Jeeva and Co 12 bales cotton, J A Berkrambee.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. R. W. L. DUNLOP COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, Nov. 27.

274 Detail for the week ending Saturday the 30th instant.
To-day Wednesday the 27th—Commanding Officer's Parade. Full in at Sir Richard Temple's Statue at 6 p m
Dress—Drill order, Uniform, with Forage Cape.
Subject—Route March.
Thursday the 28th—Semaphore Drill in rear of Telegraph Quarters at 7 p.m.
Friday the 29th—School of Arms at the Y M C Association at 7 p.m.
II—All Recruits of the current season will parade at Head-Quarters at 7 p.m.
275 Transfer—No 6156 Vol II Wilson, is transferred from "A" to "E" Company with effect from this date.
276 Staff—Extract from Brigade Orders dated 25th November 1907 is published for information :—
No 1570—Furlough and Leave—Temporary leave of absence is granted to Captain A L. Carte-right, Adjutant Bombay Volunteer Rifles, from 26th November to 3rd December 1907.
277 Staff—Lieut N Moberly will perform the duties of Adjutant, during the temporary absence on leave of Capt and Adjt A L Cartwright.

N. Mobesly, Lieut,
Actiny Adjt, B. V. R.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL COMMANDING, B. V. A.

Bombay, Nov. 27.

346 PROF. CLASS.

Parade at the B V A Club on Wednesday the 27th instant at 7 p.m.
Dress—Plain clothes.

347 No. 2 Co.

Gun Drill and Instructions at Mahaluxmi Fort as follows :—
Thursday at 9 p.m.
Dress—Khaki and Caps.
Saturday the 30th at 5 p.m.
Dress—Khaki and Helmets.

348 E E Co.

Parade on Wednesday the 27th instant at 6-30 p.m. Apollo Bunder and proceed to Middle Ground for Manning Defence Lights.

349 STRENGTH.

The following member having joined is taken on the strength of the corps and posted to the E E Co.
Sapper E Sawdon.

R. W. FISHER, Lieut.,
Adjt, B. V. A.

NOTICE.

The following is the result of the Spoon Competitions held at Santa Cruz on 24th November 1907 :—

	300 yds.	500 yds.
S Major H Solley	27 Sc=27	31 + 1=32
Gr O M P Clyne	25 Sc=25	32 + 1=33*a
*Gr A E Rogers	26 — 2=24	31 — 1=30
Gr W Thomson	25 + 2=27	30 + 3=33*
S I A E Maber	24 + 5=29*	28 + 3=31
Corpl F Hainsworth	25 + 3=28	25 + 4=29
Gr A W Barker	24 + 2=26	25 + 3=28
Sergt T W Venn	26 + 5=31*	22 + 2=24
*Trptr R O Collyer	20 Sc=20	27 + 1=28
Br W Gebhart	19 + 5=24	24 + 6=30
Trptr F Trondell	23 — 1=22	18 Sc =18
*Gr F Power	18 Sc=18	16 + 1=17
Gr J C White	19 + 3=24	10 + 6=16
*S I A Williams	19 + 5=17	11 + 6=17
Gr H E Grimshaw	11 + 5=16	10 + 6=16
Gr J E Welsh	13 Sc=13	7 + 1=8
Br O Flack	9 + 3=12	4 + 1=8

* Winners of Spoons—(a) win in Club Cup. The next Spoon Competition will be held at Santa Cruz on the 1st proximo at 200 and 600 yards.

A. W. BARKER, Hon. Sec.
B. V. A. R.[Asso.

According to the "Jhang Siyal," an Urdu weekly paper published in the Punjab Colonies, the following is the way people interpret the appearance of the new nickel anna coin :—"The old white coins were of superior metal and round and smooth in shape. They typified the old character of British rule. The new coinage is rough round the edge and uneven; it is besides of baser metal than silver, which forebodes a deterioration in the character of the Government and its increasing harshness."

PRATT'S MOTOR-CAR SPIRIT.

DEODORISED NAPTHA OR GASOLINE.

BEST for Motor-Cars, Bicycles, and Tricycles, also for Naptha Lamps.
Owners of Motor-Cars, &c., should insist on getting this and no other. Can be obtained from all leading dealers in Motor-Cars. Imported by
STANDARD OIL Co., of New York.
31, Hornby Road, Bombay

COOKING STOVES AND RANGES,

KITCHEN REQUISITES.

STOVE DEPOT.

17, CHURCH GATE STREET, FORT,

BOMBAY.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, *November 25.*] [BOMBAY, *November 26.*

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
2½ per cent. Consols	82 3/16	1/16	
2 do. Rentes	95	unchgd	
2½ do. Sterling Loan	99	1/8	
3½ do. Govt. Securities	62 3/4		1/8
Bar Silver in London			
Do. do. 2 months' hence			
Do. in New York	58 3/8		3/8
Exchange on London at Paris	25·26½		1
Do. do. do. Berlin	20·57½		1/4
Do. do. do. New York	4·86 5/8		1/2
Discount Bank of England Rate	7	since	7 inst.
Do. Short London Bills, 2 months' sight	6 5/8		1/4
Do. Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' sight	5 5/8		3/8
Do. 3 Months' Fine Trade Bills	7 1/2	unchgd	
Do. 6 Months' Fine Trade Bills	7 1/2	unchgd	
Interest Day-to-day Loans	4 1/2		1/4
Do. 7-day Market Loans	5 1/4		1/8

Amount paid into the Bank of England £300,000.
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate)... 1s. 3 11/16.
The sum of £1,000,000 previously earmarked for the Secretary of State for India has been released.

COTTON.

Liverpool :—

Spots	Quiet.
Futures	Steady.
East Indian	Quiet.
Manchester	Firm.
Total Sales	8,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export	500
Imports	21,000
Mid-Americans	6·03+10
Egyptian F.G.F. Brown	10 1/16—1/16

Future Delivery prices :—

Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl
5·67 +10	5·67 +10	5·71 +11	5·73 +11	5·75 +12
Apl.-May.	May-June.	June-July.	July-Aug.	
5·76 +12	5·78 +13	5·78 +12	5·77 +12	

New York :—

Receipts at U. S. Ports	53,000 bales
Do. do. last year	69,000 "
Exports to Great Britain	23,000 "
Do. to Continent	40,000 "
Spot Cotton—11·00 unchgd.	
Futures—Month of Dec. 10·72—04	Advanced early owing to firm cables and declined later in consequence of New England Mills curtailment.
Futures—Month of Mar. 10·45—03	

New Orleans—

Spot Cotton—10 15/16+1/16
Futures—Month of Dec 10·53—01
Do do Jan. 10·50—01
Closing Tone of Futures—Firm.

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Fine Brooch	d. 5 3/4
F. G. "	d. 5 15/16
Good "	d. 5 7/8

WHEAT.

White Choice Karachi C. I. F.—40—Nov.-Dec.—London—Done—Canal.
Red Karachi—Nominal.
Tone of Wheat—Steady.
Wheat afloat for U. K. Qrs. 1,810,000.

SEEDS.

Rapeseed :—

Brown Cawnpore 53½ Nov.-Dec.—Dunkirk—Value—Canal.
Tone of Rapeseed.—Firmer.

Linseed :—

Bombay, per 416 lbs., ex-ship 46½, Nov.-Dec.—Nominal—Canal.
Tone of Linseed—Strong.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Coffee :—

In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality) 5 7/8—½

Rubber—

Para Rubber 3/4 Sellers.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value	From	Vessel.	Importer.
1 Box Sovereigns Gold coins	Rs. 945 / 2,548	Alexandria	Marmora	A. G. H. A. A. Reza
140 Bars Silver*	2,87,165	London	do	International Bank
68 Bars Silver*	1,45,171	do	do	Yokohama Bank
248 Bars Silver†	5,05,554	do	do	Chartered Bank
71 Bars Silver†	1,44,560	do	Oriental	Mercantile B.

* Imported on the 22nd November 1907
† Imported on the 13th November 1907

BOMBAY MARKETS.

TUESDAY EVENING.] [26TH NOVEMBER, 1907.

FINANCIAL.

Money :—

Borrowers for two months at 4 per cent. per annum.

Exchange :—

The Market for Credits opened slightly easier at 1s. 4 3-16d. 3 months' sight and with occasional buyers at 1s. 4 5-32d. 3 months' sight for the mail. Bills had have not been very plentiful for near delivery, but for January a fair business has been reported at 1s. 4 11/32d. 3 months' sight. Banks have been better sellers and 1s. 3 23-32d. T. T. was easily available; as also was 1s. 3 13-16d. on demand but buyers have been scarce. Far Eastern rates are steady.

We quote :—

T. T. on London	1s. 3 23/32d. to 3/4d.
Demand Draft	1s. 3 13/16d.
Credits—3 months' sight	1s. 4 3/16†.
Do. 6 months' sight	1s. 4 13/32†.
Do. 2 months' sight—France	170 1/2
Do. 3 months' sight—Marks.	129 3/4
Hongkong—30 days' sight	149 3/4
Yokohama—30 days' sight	150 1/4
Shanghai—30 days' sight	201

Government Paper :—

The Market opened to-day at Rs. 95 11/16 for cash and the settlement and has improved 1/16 to Rs. 95 3/4. A moderate business has been passing, buyers predominating. Business has also been done for the second settlement, the quotation closing at Rs. 95 11-16. Calcutta advices give their rates as Rs. 95 7/8 ready and Rs. 95 11/16 for delivery in a month.

We quote :—

Cash	Rs. 95-12
1st Settlement	" 95-12
2nd Settlement	" 95-11

Bullion :—

Reuter gives the New York rate as 3-8 down at 58 3/8. Locally the Market opened at 69 1/8 ex-duty and has improved 1/16 both for ready and forward bars. Bar Gold is steady.

We quote :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
English Bar Gold	24	4	0
Australian Bar Gold	24	3	0
Bombay Bar Gold	24	2	0
English Shield Sovereigns	15	2	0
English Dragon Sovereigns	15	2	0
Silver ex Duty—Ready	69	3	0
Ditto 1st Settlement	69	9	0

COTTON.

Market Report :—

Prices opened this morning with little or no change from yesterday's closing rates, the Market being quiet but steady. There has been little doing for forward dleivery by shippers and the bazaar has also been quiet. An export house sold fine M. G. Bengals, January delivery. The Market closes quiet as under.

In ready cotton there has been some demand by shippers for new crop, and mills have bought old crop rather more freely.

QUOTATIONS :—

	Rs.	Delivery.
Fine M. G. Broach	273/4	March 08
Good M. G. Broach	266	
Fine M. G. Nagpur Kaupti	233	Jan. 08
Fine M. G. Damangaum Fulgaon	227/8	
Fine M. G. Khangaum Akola	217/18	
Fine M. G. Amraoti	217	
Fine M. G. Muttia	203/4	
F. G. M. G. Khandeish	198½	
Fine M. G. Khandeish	203/4	
Fine M. G. Bengals	196/7	
Fine M. G. Bengals	200	March 08
F. G. U. G. Bengals	198/7	Jan. 08

Liverpool Opener :—

Opening Tone	Quiet.
Estimated Sales	8,000 bales.
Total Imports	24,000 "

Future Delivery Prices :—

N.-D.	D.-J.	J.-F.	F.-M.	M.-A.
5·61 —06	5·61 —06	5·65 —06	5·67 —06	5·69 —06
A.-M.	M.-J.	J.-J.	J.-A.	
5·70 —06	5·72 —06	5·71 —07	5·71 —03	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Linseed :—

The Market is easier with only a small business passing. We quote :—

Ready	Rs.	7 15 0 B. T.
December	"	8 5 6 R. T.
May	"	8 9 6 R. T.

RAPESEED—

The Market is quiet but steady with little doing We quote :—

Brown Cawnpore	Rs.	9 4 0 B. T.
Yellow Gueerat	"	10 6 0 B. T.

Gingellyseed :—

The Market is firm with rather more enquiry and we quote :—

Bold White 85 p.c.	Rs.	62 8 0
" " 75 p.c.	"	61 8 0
Black Kutni	"	54 0 0

Poppyseed :—

Rs. 12 6 0

Tone—Steady.

Castorseed :—

Rs 39 0 0

Tone—Quiet but steady.

cottonseed :—

Rs, 24 12 0

Tone—Steady.

Mowraseed :—

Rs. 5 6 0 B. T.

Tone—Firmer.

GROUNDNUTS :—

Rs. 46 0 0 Jan.-Feb.

Tone—Steady.

Wheat :—

The Market is quiet but steady and we quote :—

White Delhi, Ap.-May. Rs. 5 15 0 R. T.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Banks :—

Bombay	1,392 1/2
India	60 1/2
Indian Specie Bank	47 1/2

Mills :—

David	393 3/4
Kohinoor	772 1/2
Manekji Petit	3,160

Miscellaneous :—

Bombay Steam Nav. Ordinary	250
Central India Mining	405
Colaba Land and Mill	1,030
Shivrajpur Mining Syndicate	50
Treacher and Co	610

Railways :—

Amritsar-Patti	100
Tapti Valley	440

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 48 hours ended at 6 p. m. yesterday :—

Cotton	5,710 bales.
Wheat	7,026 cwts
Linseed	788 "
Rapeseed	95 "
Gingellyseed	12,554 "
Poppyseed	1,511 "
Groundnuts	500 "
Castorseed	2,325 "
Rice	2,320 "
Myrabollams	4,019 "
Cottonseed	8,814 "
Mowrasced	169 "
Gram	4,251 "
Joowar	181 "
Maize	136 "

THE New York crisis recalls the story of a "run" on a joint-stock Bank in the North of England. One of the depositors, an old lady, appeared at the counter of the bank and demanded payment of the balance of her account. The cashier handed her the amount due in gold, but this she refused, requesting to be paid with notes of the Bank. Receiving these she placed them safely in her satchel, and then, taking up umbrella preparatory to leaving she said in high tones :—"You can break when you like now; I've got your notes!"

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OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

ORMEROD—November 20, at Darjeeling, the wife of G. H. Ormerod, Assam-Bengal Ry., of a son.
WHITBY—November 22, at 8-1-3, London Street, Calcutta, the wife of H. B. Whitby, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

KENTISH—November 13, at Mithunguri Assam, suddenly of heart failure, Arthur Pelham Kentish.
KADIR—November 14, at Calcutta, The wife of Mr. M. A. Kadir, Deputy Magistrate, Howrah.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 52m. Sun sets 6h. 0m. High water, 3-29m., 3-26a. Low water, 10-10m., 9-10a.
Municipal Standing Committee, 4-9 p.m.
Factory Labour Commission, Secretariat, 2 p.m.
Skating Rink, 9-30 p. m.
Excelsior Cinematograph, Esplanade, 7 p. m., 8 30 p. m. and 10 p. m.

PHASES OF THE MOON.—Nov. 28th. Last Quarter, 9h. 51-0m. a.m.; Nov. 9th, in Perigee, 11-5h. a. m.; Nov. 25th, in Apogee, 11-3h., a. m.

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Thursday, November 28.—Municipal Corporation, 3-30 p.m. Sun rises, 6h. 53m.; Sun sets, 6h. 0m.; High watar, 4-16m., 4-45a.; Low water, 11-56m., 10 32a.
Friday, November 29.—P. & O. Steamer "Peninsular," with English Mails of 15th instant., due to arrive at 7 a.m. Factory Labour Commission Secretariat, 2 p.m. Sun rises, 6h. 54m., Sun sets 6h. 0m., High water, 5 21m., 6-29a., Low water, 0-56a.
Saturday, November 30.—Royal Bombay Yacht Club Races. Factory Labour Commission, Secretariat, 2 p. m. Grand Lodge of all Scottish Freemasonry in India, annual communication, Freemason's Hall. Madame Albani's Concert. Sun rises, 6h. 54m., Sun sets, 6h. 0m.; High water, 6-28m., 7-45a.; Low water, 0-15m., 1-45a.
Sunday, December 1.—1st Sunday in Advent. Parsi Tower of Silence consecration ceremony at Deolali. Sun rises, 6h. 55m., Sun sets, 6h. 0m.; High water 7-35m., 8-45a., Low water, 1-35m., 2-26a.
Monday, December 2.—Municipal Corporation, 3-30 p.m. New Great Eastern Spinning and Weaving Company, 12-48, Church Gate Street, 3-30 p. m. Madame Albani's Concert. Sun rises, 6h. 55m., Sun sets, 6h 0m.; High water, 8-28m., 9-35a.; Low water, 2-35m., 3-4a.
Tuesday, December 3.—Madame Albani's Concert. Sun rises, 6h. 56m., Sun sets, 6h. 0m.; High water, 9-17m., 10-20a.; Low water, 3-25m., 3-41a.

ANTONIO DE SOUZA SCHOOL, MAZAGON.—The annual distribution of prizes to the students of the above school takes place on Thursday the 28th instant at 6 p.m. His Grace the Archbishop Bishop of Damaun will preside.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF BOMBAY.—The ordinary monthly meeting of the Society will be held in the rooms of the B. B. Royal Asiatic Society, Town Hall, this evening at 6 p.m. (S. T.). The paper to be read is "The Oriental Custom of Life-Giving Charity," by Mr. Sarat Chandra Mitra, M. A., B. L.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lt.-Colonel J. S. McNeill, V. D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Batt. G. I. P. Railway Volunteers will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Bandmaster, commencing at 6 p. m to-day :—

March	Le Conquerant ... Crol Home
Overture	Die Irr fahrt Una's Glück ... Suppe
Selection	The Girl From Kays ... Caryll
Polka	The Sky Lark ... Kessler
Reminiscences of Scotland	Godfrey
Valse	Wiener Frauen ... Lehar
Galop	Champagne ... Sebirbel

BURGLARY IN GIRGAUM.—Dr. F. S. Kapadia, who resides on the second-floor of a house in Charni Road, Girgaum, reported to the Police on Monday night that at 2-30 p.m. he locked up his place and went to his business. He returned shortly after 8 p.m., when he was informed by his wife, who had returned home a little before him, that during their absence some one had broken into their house and having forced open an almirah, had stolen gold jewellery of the value of Rs. 902. On inquiries it was ascertained that a certan bad character was seen in this chawl at 3-45 p.m. that day, and there seems to be no doubt that it is this man that has committed the theft. The Police are making inquiries in the matter.

EDUCATION SOCIETY'S SCHOOLS ENTERTAINMENT.

The Bombay Education Society's High School entertainment given last evening, in the hall of the school, Byculla, was in every way successful and was attended to by a large number of ladies and gentlemen. Part I of the programme consisted of shadowgraphs, card mesmerism and a lightning sketch. Among the other attractive items in the programme were a humorous song entitled "All the days of the week," a duet entitled "I would that my Love," tableaux and a humorous sketch, all of which were greatly applauded by the audience. The Highland Fling by Miss E. Bwye and Miss F. Baylis proved the most interesting item of the evening's programme and was very enthusiastically applauded. The highly successful entertainment terminated with "God Save the King."

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LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

HIGH COURT.

NEIGHBOURS AT VARIANCE.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Beaman delivered judgment in the suit in which Bapuji Narayen Kothare, an accountant in the Bombay Manufacturing Company, his brother Mr. Nanu, a solicitor and his other brother Mr. Shamrao, a merchant, were plaintiffs: the defendants were Parmanand Keshavji, and Mr. Shamrao B. Naik, L. M. S., a medical practitioner. Mr. Jardine, instructed by Messrs. Nanu Hormasji and Co. (the 2nd plaintiff's firm) appeared for the plaintiff. The Hon. Mr. Chimalal H. Setalvad, instructed by Messrs. Bhaishankar, Kanga and Girdharlal, appeared for the defendants.

The plaintiffs complaint was that windows of their house in Girgaum Road as regarded light and air, were obstructed by a building the second defendant intended to raise in their neighbourhood; defendants should also be restrained from obstructing the right of way the plaintiffs had over his premises. Since February 1888, the plaintiffs had the easement of light and air; over 19 years had elapsed; and in a few months more, their right would have been absolute under Section 15 of the Indian Easements Act. This right of way was enjoyed by them for over 20 years. In the event of the second defendant's structure being allowed to proceed, the rooms in which the windows were situated, would be rendered uncomfortable and uninhabitable; for the house was used as a family house.

The first defendant said that he had purchased the property to the south of the plaintiff's residence from Janardhan Vishwanath Kothare, on 26th November 1906; and conveyed the same to the second defendant a few months later. He was the nominee of the second defendant: prior to the filing of the suit he had apprised plaintiffs of the fact.

The second defendant complained that the plaintiffs had made no mention of, nor taken into account, the obstruction caused to his property by the second plaintiff's house, when it was raised in 1898. He denied the plaintiff's right of way over his property; also denied that more than three or four windows were "ancient." The vendor, Janardhan Kothare, was a cousin of the plaintiffs, and by his leave and license plaintiffs and their servants used to cross the defendant's lands to an from the second plaintiff's house.

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JESUITS IN INDIA.

THE third volume of the Venetian, Niccolao Manucci's "Storia de Mogor, or Mogul India 1653-1708," in the Indian Texts Series has just made its appearance under the auspices of the Royal Asiatic Society. In the new volume the Hindu religions, customs and ceremonies are dealt with and the Portuguese in this country come under review. First mention of them is the story of a well-born gentlewoman of Bassein, Dona Luiza de Abello, a rich and influential woman who dwelt on her estate. When she left her house for recreation, she was escorted by fifty sturdy well-armed Kaffirs with their quarter-staves. When the woman saw any Portuguese youth who pleased her, she carried him off to her house and toyed with him till she was tired of him. As his reward, she would order him to be killed and buried in her orchard. In this way she passed her life, while the handsomest youths in the country disappeared. Her cruelties became known and the youths, thus warned, kept out of her way. The lady referred to, on her way to church saw a boy whom she fancied, and on coming out took him home with her against his will, and he was never seen again. The lad was related to the highest-placed gentlemen to be found in Bassein. These men, recognising her disorders and misdeeds, made overtures to certain negro women of her household that, if they would destroy her in her sleep their lives would be protected. Listening to the proposal the slave women killed her by hitting her on the head with a big stone and crushing her brains. The magistrate arrested the negresses, who were sentenced to death. On their way to execution they passed in front of the church of the Jesuit Fathers, who came out with the flag of Mercy and they were liberated. But Manucci does not say very much to the credit of the Jesuit Fathers in other parts of the country. He tells us of the sins of Goa and intimates that the Fathers encouraged them for their own ends. "If on some occasions there have been persons so rash as to interfere, they have never failed to meet with prompt and terrible chastisement. For it must be admitted that the criminal law of their reverences is something both frightful and cruel." He gives us some idea in these words : "Picture to yourself, my dear reader, that they strip the wretched culprit quite naked, bind him to a tree and then flog him in such a way that the miserable man never undergoes it without having to enter hospital to get his wounds dressed, which the scourge had caused. But ordinarily he finds there the cure of all ills, and thus an establishment dedicated to charity and the relief of the poor becomes the shelter of men suffering from disgraceful maladies, or of unhappy beings who have felt the rigour of the reverend fathers' sentences. Even these all perish miserably."

According to Manucci the King of Portugal paid yearly "ont of his gracious bounty" the sum of fourteen thousand seraphins, "the money being paid in the hands of their reverences, who come in for the greater part of it. For as the patients are in hospital only a short time the expenses are thereby much diminished." Mannucci observed that this was very profitable to the Society, but they set no store by it "saying sometimes that they believe there is hardly enough over to pay for lamp-oil in their college." But, he continues, "I should never be at an end if I were to repeat all that might be said on this subject. All the more willingly do I relieve myself of this task because I am persuaded that their reverences are well known to the world, chiefly by all honest and able men. To them I leave it to supplement what I omit. Indeed, were I to continue, there would not be wanting those who would accuse me of hatred or some other passion, in spite of the fact that I have no object but absolute truth and the desire to be useful to those who come to this country. Being informed of the dangers and perils that are met with here, let them avoid them and take early steps not to fall into the difficulties that others have undergone. In addition to all this I must say that I have received many and many a civility and favour from their reverences, for which I owe them gratitnde. Still I feel myself under a deeper obligation to speak the truth than to observe any other obligation or friend ship in the world." Manucci refers to the immense wealth possessed by the Jesuits in Portuguese India—at Goa, Chaul, Bassein, Thana, Diu and Damaun where their income much surpassed that of the King. For example, at Goa they had three hundred and sixty thousand pardos a year while the King had only three hundred thousand. They traded very extensively, according to the same authority, in every kind of merchandise and exchange. They governed everything "by policy, having unbounded and unmeasured ambition ; they arrange for appointments in the ministry of justice and other offices : they set up and depose all sorts of people just as they please. Not only is this so in the case of the Police, but also of the Militia. In one word, they hold the Government and the administration of all strong places and fortresses. To all this they devote very little attention."

As illustrating his meaning Manucci quotes what happened in March 1700 at the fortress of Bandora in the island of Salsette. It had to surrender for want of powder and shot, a considerable number of Christians being taken and made slaves by the Arabs. These invaders "held the island for thirteen days in their tyrannical grasp, causing great injury to and a heavy fall in the revenues of his Portuguese Majesty. In short, their (the Jesuits') power is so great that the Governors of fortresses and the lieutenants (heads of Police) of the towns dare not fire off one single cannon, be the necessity what it may, without the permission of those reverend fathers the administrators. The fathers have for this, very good allowances which are very regularly paid to them," a fact which distressed Manucci who ruminated that with this money many needy men of quality might be subventioned as also the soldiers might be paid who are continually exposing their life in their King's cause. The Governor of Bassein in 1666 was fined forty-five seraphins on Easter Day for firing a salute of fifteen guns "in honour of our Saviour and the Viceroy of Goa", and was told that if he wished to retain his office he would need to keep up good relations with the Jesuit Fathers and "should always more fear the nib of a Jesuit's pen than the point of an Arab's sword." Against the Goa hospital and its management Manucci inveighs with zest. He does not hesitate to say that it was run with the sole object of destroying the new arrivals from Portugal and annexing their property, but we may take it that he did not always see as he ought to and that he was bitterly prejudiced against the Jesuits, especially such as practised medicine. His antipathy to them again bursts out when he writes of Goa under the Inquisition which was "a perpetual source of injustice." He tells the story of Father Ephraim at great length. The practice of the inquisitors when they ordered the taking of a Jew or a new Christian layman was to capture him by means of a familiar, or with a good deal of secrecy, conveying him in a palanquin securly closed. But the priest-administrator of the diocese of San Thome sent a company of soldiers and armed satellites to seize Father Ephraim. Twc of them "dragged him along bound; one went in front hauling at the rope round his gown, while the other followed holding another rope which he had tied round the prisoner. In this scandalous manner they took him publicly through the whole town of San Thome. Thereby they affronted the poor father and greatly dishonoured the habit of Saint Francis." But those days are gone now and times so different that the question naturally arises, can the stories now told us be really true ?

THE FAITH OF ANCIENT IRAN AND MODERN PARSIS. That well-known Englishwoman Evelyn Hazeldine, the daughter of Dean Carrington, who having married an Italian nobleman is known as the Countess Martinenzo Cesaresco, contributes a noteworthy article in the *Contemporary Review*, to which she is a very frequent contributor, on the Zoroastrian faith, which we commend especially to the notice of our Parsi friends with whom "the faith of Iran" is still a strong living faith which has inspired them to noble actions in the immediate past, and will doubtless do so in the future. The Countess, like that other famous Englishwoman Miss Power Cobbe, is much interested ont of tender humanitarian motives in the cause of poor dumb animals, and very frequently espouses their cause in literature. In the Congress of the History of Religions held at Paris in 1900 she read a paper on the Hebrew Conception of Animals, and she has since followed it up with various papers and articles on the theory of animals among other great peoples. She is now considering the Zoroastrian theory of animals, but she found that it is intimately bound up with the religious scheme of that people. So she is obliged first to make her readers acquainted with that scheme, She does this in the present article ; and we suppose she will come to her main subject about the Zoroastrian theory of animals in another contribution, though here too she now and then peeps as it were into her favourite subject. The care of the God-created animals says she, "brought with it a special blessing : it was actually a way to heaven. If a friend gave us a cherished animal, should we not treat it well for that friend's sake, as well as for its own value ? Would not it remind us of the giver ? Would not we be anxious that he should find it in good health if by chance he came on a visit ? This is how Zoroaster wished man to feel about the cow, the sheep, the dog. Anguste Comte considered domestic animals as a part of humanity. Zoroaster considered them as a trust from God."

In her necessarily brief treatment of the main outlines of the Zoroastrian faith, the Countess is unusually happy, and brings out the cardinal points in Zoroaster's teaching very clearly in incisive language. Of course she throws no new light on her subject, but she manages to turn the existing light on the main principles so as to bring them into strong relief. Zoroaster's main gospel on the active side of his faith was work, useful work for fellow-men. This is beautifully brought out by this gifted writer. "Not to princes but to peasants did Zoroaster chiefly address himself ; he did not call them away from their work but exhorted them to pursue it diligently. 'He who cultivates the earth will never lack, but he who does not, will stand idly at the door of others to beg food.' Labour is not an evil : man who earns his bread by the sweat of his brow is not under a curse : he is the fellow-worker with God ! This was the grandest thing that Zoroaster taught." It was indeed the grandest, and we are very glad that the Countess has pointed it out so forcibly to English readers. If Carlyle had known about Zoroaster and especially about this gospel of work of his, he could have clinched his eulogy of work, in several of his writings, notably in his *Past and Present*, with many quotations from the Avesta. This famous sacred book, there is reason to believe Carlyle never knew, though he could have read it in his favourite German in the scholarly version of Spiegel which began to appear in 1852, nearly thirty years before his death. But should he have attempted it, the Avesta would have taxed all his patience,—never a strong point with the Sage of Chelsea,—for the finest thoughts of man are there, as the Countess says with truth, concealed under a bushel. The advice about reading the Avesta which she gives is excellent. "It is a good rule to approach all religious books with patience and with reverence, for they contain, even if concealed under a bushel, the finest thoughts of man. When we have grown accustomed to the outward frame of the Avesta, the inner sense becomes clearer. It is like a piece of music by Tschailkovsky: at first the modulations seem bizarre, the themes incoherent, then by degrees, a consecutive plan unwinds itself and we know that what appeared meaningless sound was divine harmony." We would commend these sentences of this truly sympathetic and cultured Englishwoman to those even among the modern Parsis who think the Avesta to be little better than an obsolete and useless book. The Countess does not appear to be equally well informed about the Parsis of to-day, as she says that "the Parsis attribute to them (the prescriptions of their religious law) their immunity from plague during the recent epidemics at Bombay." We wish it were so ; but the Parsis, it is mournful to think, have never been immune from plague, and during recent years they have even suffered abnormally from its ravages, in spite of the undoubtedly very good and sanitary prescriptions of their religious law.

HYDERABAD MINT. We have received information from various sources during the past few weeks regarding certain irregularities which have crept into the affairs of the Hyderabad (Nizam's State) Mint ; but as the reports that have reached us appear to be more or less incomplete, we have withheld reference to them until we are in possession of a narrative of the facts. Meantime, however, information has reached us that, under the orders of the Government of India, one of the Mint officials, whose services were lent to the Hyderabad State, has been suspended and that he has been peremptorily ordered to furnish replies forthwith to a series of categorical questions which he was called upon to answer some weeks ago, the immediate cause of his suspension being his alleged omission to fulfil this requirement. Matters are still, it is believed, in the "confidential" stage, and Mr. Hankin, C. I. E., the Inspector-General of Police in H. H. Nizam's Dominions, is investigating the case with instructions to report to Government. In the hands of so astute an official as Mr. Hankin has proved himself to be in the Criminal Investigation Department of the Government of India, it may be taken as a foregone conclusion that when his inquiries are completed very little that is worth knowing will be wanting. It is, however, to be hoped that when the culprits, if any, are discovered, the practice that not infrequently obtains scope in Hyderabad affairs—of influence being brought to bear on the authorities to intercept the course of justice and screen offenders from the penalties that should follow on the detection of crime—will not be allowed to prevail and become a continuing license for the repetition of malpractices which would not be tolerated or condoned by any responsible Government. The moral atmosphere of Hyderabad is said to have considerably improved in recent years, and it would be a deplorable circumstance if the progress that has so far been made in this respect were allowed to retrogress, impeded by a form of fatuous sentimentality begotten of misused influence and patronage. The issues in this matter have a material and practical effect on the economic administration of the State, the currency of every Government being the talisman of its financial stability and honour : Hyderabad has suffered from many and weighty disadvantages in its finance problems, to which nothing has contributed more seriously than has its debased and counterfeit coinage ; and now that these matters have been brought under control by Mr. Casson Walker, who was specially deputed by the Government of India to conserve the financial administration of the Chief State in the British Empire, no leniency is likely to be shewn to those who have neglected their duties or who have abused the trust reposed in them. On the other hand, minting is involved with many abstruse and technical details, and whatever the laches of subordinates, it devolves on those who advise the Government to discriminate between ignorance and criminal intent with regard to the irregularities that are the subject of inquiry ; and as the Hyderabad State does not possess an expert in such matters, it would be advisable for the authorities to import into the inquiry the services of one of the R. E. officers who have been successful administrators in either the Calcutta or Bombay Mint.

THE Anchor Line s.s. "Massilia," homeward bound, arrived at Marseilles on the 25th instant.

THE Florio and Rubattino S. N. Company's s.s. "Ischia," from Hongkong, left Penang, for Bombay on the 26th instant, and the same Company's s.s. "D. Balduino," from Genoa, left Suez for Aden and Bombay on the 25th instant.

THE Hon. Mr. Erle Richardson, Legal Member of the Viceroy's Council, arrived at Madras on Monday from Simla in connection with the approaching reorganisation of the Madras Railway.

WE would remind our readers that whilst December 7 is the last day for posting Home letters and parcels *via* Brindisi, for Christmas, the last date for parcels *via* Gibraltar is Saturday next, November 30.

OWING to a printer's error "Wuffy" was omitted from the list of unsuccessful runners in the Manchester November Handicap telegraphed to us by our London correspondent on Saturday last and published in Monday's edition.

THERE is a humorist writing the advertisement of a certain shipping line at Home. He announces the sailing of a ship to Bombay, Karachi and "Punjab." The Karachi Port Trust should see that they are not robbed in this way.

THE witnesses examined by the Decentralisation Committee on Monday afternoon, at Madras, were Col. Y. Macnamara, I. M. S., Inspector-General of Prisons, Mr. F. A. Lodge, Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle and Mr. C. G. Clogstoun, Superintendent of Police, South Arcot.

MR. J. D. NIMMO, who has only recently retired from Calcutta mercantile circles, writes to the "Investors' Review" to point out a very real grievance connected with the English Mail. At present the Mail leaves London late on Friday night and all the weekly newspapers come out on Saturday morning less than twelve hours too late to catch it. The result is that those newspapers which contain the soberer and more deliberative opinion of Great Britain on current affairs reach India and Australia a week after the news they comment upon. Under the new Mail contract there will be a slight saving in the time of passage. Mr. Nimmo urges that this saving should be devoted to securing a Saturday departure from London rather than a Thursday arrival in Bombay.

AT a Special General Meeting of the Rangoon Bar Library Association, held on the 18th instant, it was "resolved to address the Local Government respectfully to protest against the practice obtaining in Burma of initiating and carrying into effect, without reference to the Bar, proposals affecting the administration of Justice. This Association learns with surprise from the Resolution of Government on the Report on the Administration of Civil Justice in Burma, 1906, that a scheme for the constitution of a City Court in Rangoon has apparently been approved in principle by the Local Government and now only awaits the settlement of details. The Association considers that it should have been consulted as to the desirability of any such measure. It is of opinion that the constitution of such a Court is most inadvisable, and that formal representation on the subject should be sent to the Local Government."

THE happy chance which placed Madame Albani in New Zealand at the time of the celebration of the creation of that country into a new British Dominion gave a pleasant inter-colonial or inter-national complexion to the inauguration and proclamation ceremonies. The birth of the New Dominion was celebrated on the 25th September. Madame Albani, who is due in Bombay shortly, had the evening before given a Concert at Napier, and the Governor, Lord Plunkett, and the Premier, Sir Joseph Ward, telegraphed to her there requesting that she participate in the inauguration ceremonies at the capital, Wellington. To enable her to reach there in time it was necessary for her to travel continuously for almost twenty-four hours, making a long detour to avoid a wash-out on the Government railway line, and then she was only able to reach Wellington half an hour before the time fixed in the programme for her appearance. She had nothing to eat for upwards of fifteen hours, and was obliged to make her change of costume in the carriage while driving from the railway station to the Town Hall. Yet no one among the many thousands who listened to her inspired singing of the National Anthem could have suspected the difficulties which the great artiste had valiantly surmounted. The fact lending peculiar interest to Albani's presentation in New Zealand's first Dominion Day celebration is that she is the foremost representative artiste of Canada, Canada being the first among the British possessions to gain by evolution the status of Dominion from that of a Colony.

OUR BERLIN LETTER.

THE NEUTRALITY OF NORWAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BERLIN, NOVEMBER 8,

It is now two years and a half that Norway separated herself from the Union with Sweden. That she now applied for her neutralisation and induced the four Great Powers in her neighbourhood, Great Britain, Germany, France and Russia to guarantee her neutrality in all international questions must be considered the natural consequence of her Act of separation. For as a unit Sweden and Norway with their aggregate of eight million inhabitants represented a medium-sized power, no match indeed to an aggressive first-rate power but in the last end capable of defending herself in such an unequal duel. In her present separation, Norway with her thin population of less than 2 1/2 millions is well-nigh helpless in the contingency of such an aggression, all the more because the Norvegian Army is in a rather neglected condition and because the warlike spirit of this nation has altogether disappeared.

It was therefore easily explainable that Norway expressed the wish of getting her territorial integrity guaranteed. Everywhere, except in Sweden this thoughtful step of the small nation in the old home of the Vikings was sympathetically applauded. Only in the Swedish Press we find the insinuation that the neutralisation of the neighbouring country was an unfriendly act and intended exclusively against Sweden. Properly speaking this interpretation has no solid basis and can only be treated as an indication that many Swedes are still inspired with the tacit expectation that after the death of King Oscar who on account of his advanced age abhors warlike entanglements Sweden might have had a chance of restoring the political union with Norway by force of arms. By the declaration of permanent neutrality every possibility of such a success is of course set aside, for a Swedish invasion into Norway would at once cause the intervention of the four powers that guarantee the integrity of the Norvegain State. After all, I am, however, inclined to believe that

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that the allurement to such a Quixotic scheme was taken away in good time. Not that I doubt for one minute that the Swedes would utterly defeat the Norvegians and conquer their territory. But as they themselves are only a nation of 5 1/2 millions it would be too serious a strain on their strength to absorb a population of 2½ millions of rebellious subjects. In the long run they would have been worn out by the permanent military burden taken up for an object the material value of which would stand in no proportion to its cost.

On this occasion it has leaked out that one of the Great Powers suggested the advisability of the same step for Sweden as well, but that the idea was repudiated by the Swedish Government. One may well esteem the sentiment that led the Swedish Government to this firm resolution. It is true nearly two centuries have passed away since the death of King Charles XII., when Sweden ceased to play a decisive part in European politics. But on every visit to Stockholm one is again impressed with the conviction that the tradition of a glorious past is still a living force with Swedish nation. There is no disputing the point that an act of neutralisation, however comfortable the possibility of reducing the military expenses may be, has necessarily the effect of lowering the political influence of the State that accepts its integrity as a gift of the Great Powers. The Swedes are too proud a nation to be satisfied with such a neutralised position. With the Norvegians other considerations prevail. Their heroic period belongs to a very remote past and has almost a mythic ring about it. During the four centuries of modern history they have never played an active part in European politics. For their turn of mind it is no great resignation to drop all ambitions of historical greatness and rest satisfied under the shelter of neutralisation.

GERMANY, GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

So close is the financial connection of the Federal States in Germany with the expenditure of the Imperial Exchequer that we arrive at a survey of German public finance only by including all budget of the various States of which the German Empire consists. Then we find that Germany disposes annualy of £170,931,400 public money, France of £139,950,616 and Great Britain of £134,304,000 But if we calculate this expenditure per head of the population, Germany stands lowest with 58,4 sh. per head ; England follows with 62 sh. and France spends as much as 72,1 sh. in the way of State expenditure.

It is however well known that the subjects are not taxed with the whole of these expenses. Every State has also some profitable enterprizes at work, and the Revenue from these concerns is to be deducted, ere we get the real burden per capita. Most important are these State earnings in Germany, because the Government of the Empire and of 9 Federal States owe and manage Railway lines of upwards of 30,000 miles, wherein the enormous amount of £666,000,000 was invested, while the debentures not yet paid amount to little less than half that total. In France the State Monopolies in shooting powder, tobacco and matches are a less important asset. All the three countries drive, however, some clear Revenue from the demesne lands, the Postal and Telegraphic Services, the Royal Mints and the National Banks. Even in England these Revenues come to an aggregate of nearly £6 Million or 2,8 sh. per head of population. In France the figures are £7 Million or 3,9 sh. per head. Germany gets from the surplus of her rentable investments £40 Million or 13,9 sh. per head. Thus the per capita quota of the taxpayers are reduced to 44,5 sh. in Germany, 59,2 sh in England and 68,2 sh in France.

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three classes of expenditure are generally distinguished. The interest paid on the National Debt is looked upon as a clear loss, no matter whether the loans are contracted by wars and deficits of the post or whether they are used as purchasing money for profitable enterprizes such as railways. As we find the surplus of these on the Credit side of the Budget and deducted from the amount to be provided for by the taxpayers, this differentiation is easily justified. Not quite so clear is the character of the expenditure for the Army and Navy. While unproductive from a commercial point of view, they may be considered as insurance premium for all interests of the State and part of its working account. As a third group we distinguish the expenses for the civil administration because they are devoted to the purposes of public welfare and civilization. For the last group comparative statistics are impossible, because among the German Federal States there are some, such as the Hanseatic Towns, that to not distinguish between State and Municipal expenditure, and a few of the smaller Federal States include Local Government expenses, for which there is no equivalent in the Budget of larger States. Moreover the English system of administration leaves many branches of the activity of Continental States to the care of private Associations, old foundations and self-help organisation. We therefore constrain our comparative figures to the National Debt and Army and Navy accounts.

As regards expenses for the National Debt service France heads the list. She pays 37 millions Lstr. in the shape of interest on her loans, so that 28o/o of her whole expenditure or nearly 20 sh. per head are consumed by this Item alone. Germany, despite her Railway loans pays only 30 millions Lstr or 10 sh per head in the shape of interest. Great Britain 29 millions or 13,3 sh per head. On the other hand the English expenditure for the Army and Navy reaches the total of 62 1/7 million Lstr. (28,7 sh. per head). Germany and France are satisfied with 48 millions (15,9 sh. and 25,2 sh. per head respectively.

As regards the sources of income, it is remarkable that in the three State Households the indirect taxes customs and excise duties) yield more than the direct taxes. That even in a Free Trade country like Great Britain not less than 54 per cent. of the whole Revenue, 64,7 millions Lstr., (29,8 sh. per head) are derived from the customs on tobacco, tea, sugar, wine and alcoholic beverages and on the corresponding excise duties will be a surprise to many. France collects 60 millions Lstr. (31,6 sh. per head), and Germany 50 millions (17,7 sh. per head). The stamp duties are remarkably high in France, yealding 24 millions (12,5 sh. per head), while England is satisfied with 8 and Germany with 7 1/2 millions (3,9 and 2,5 sh. respectively per head). On the other hand the direct taxes are much higher in England than in the two other countries. While she derives 34 millions from this source (15.5 sh. per head), France gathers only 24 and Germany only 23 millions (12,4 and 7,8 sh.) respectively per head. That may be changed, when the progressive income bill will be carried through the French Chamber. Among small items the principal difference is to be found in the Estate duties of the three countries. Under this heading France collects 7 and England 9 times as much as Germany, and the difference becomes greater still, if we calculate this revenue per head of the population (0,5 sh., 5,6 and 6,0 sh. respectively). The explanation is that the duties were only recently introduced in Germany, and so many dispensations and reductions are allowed, that not even 1 1/2 million Lstr. (against 13 millions in England) were raised in 1906.

NOTES.

Great interest is attached to the "simultaneous ascents of two types of dirigeable Airships" in Berlin, the Military Balloon and the Parseval Balloon of the private Association for furthering the improvement of motor balloons. The Military Arship easily proved its superiority. For it remained eight full hours in the air and covered a distance of 95 miles, while the Parseval Balloon ended its trip after 7½ hours and was compelled to interrupt its flight by a short landing for taking in fresh water into its cooling box. Both airships accomplished their landing without the slightest hitch. This competition is, however, by no means a final test. For the Parseval balloon had hardly absolved its short trial trips, when it attempted this record breaking expedition. Nor was the time limit of their flight fully tested. Both had lost so little of the gas that keeps them afloat that they might have stayed some more hours in the upper regions. A comparison with the Zeppelin airship that up to the present extended its trips only to five hours 56 seconds and covered a horizontal distance of 160 miles is altogether out of place. The Count who was in Berlin at the time of these trials never thought of proving the reliability of his enormous balloon for long voyages. With the dimensions of his airship much longer voyages could be easily accomplished. For various reasons the competition for record breaking has not yet been taken up in full earnest.

The inauguration lectures of the two American "Exchange Professors," Dr. Schofield and Prof. Hadley gave again occasion far an impressive manifestation of sympathy. An appeal to the young generation by Professor Schofield brought him an ovation. He intends to give a course of lectures on the medieval literature of England, as he considers the Middle Ages as the juvenile age of modern Europe. As a messenger of the young generation of America he represented himself to the academic youth of Germany. Of great interest was also the leading idea of Professor Hadley's paper. He traced the obvious differences in the economic circumstances of American and German life not so much to technical peculiarities or even moral factors but principally to the political development of the United States and the German Empire. The Professor warned his hearers to identify the type of the resident in the large American cities with that of the real American. The national ideals of both nations are after all very kindred with each other on account of a similar development from federalism into a national union. No need to say that both papers showed the combination of national self-reliance with full insight into the characteristic features of foreign ways of thinking required for successful academic teaching of this kind.

It is due to the personal initiative of Dr. Wiegand of the Norddeutscher Lloyd that the principal representatives of modern Industrial Art in Germany are employed for the artistic decoration of the Ocean Hounds. For the internal outfit of the State Rooms of the "Kronprinzessin Caecilie" a competition was arranged that led to quite satisfactory results. Artists of the first rank, such as Bruno Paul and Richard Riemerschmid were engaged to furnish single cabins and the smoking-room of the steamer. They were allowed a free hand and succeeded in securing quite an artistic effect of their work. With the new twin screw steamer "Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm," the dimensions of which are even larger than those of the "Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse" the Norddeutscher Lloyd has gone a stepfather. Professor Bruno Paul was engaged to design the dining-room with air-shaft and a drawing-room with entrance hall. As the work of this Artist is especially distinguished by good taste, suitable construction and deliberate choice of material, the comfort of the passengers on board this new Steamer is certainly well cared for.

Suddenly the "National Theatre" at Christiana is in the midst of a "Directorial crisis." Bjorn Bjornson the son of the famous poet, in whose hands the fate of the National Theatre fared well enough, tendered his resignation on the plea of ill-health. There can, however, be no doubt that other considerations have had a great deal to do with his resolution. He has often been most violently attacked, often without the slightest justification and a most rancorous spirit ; for in this country criticism has outgrown all considerations of reason and justice. At last the tournee of Madame Dybwad and her fellow actors through Denmark and Germany has given the opportunity for a concentrated attack upon the Director. He was accused of making a clear distinction between a few "Stars" who may do as they please and the "histrionic mob" that is badly treated and made to work hard for a pittance. That was to much even for such a good fighter as Bjornson. His departure is a severe loss for the National Theatre for it was his powerful personality and high artistic aim that created the characteristic style of the Norvegian stage. Whether a worthy successor will be round, is more than doubtful. The best chances of being elected has the former actor and stage manager Olaf Hansson who in consequence of a difference with Bjornson designed his position in the National Theatre some years ago.

The Royal Commission on Mines was ordered by the British Government to proceed to the Ruhr District in Rhenish Prussia and to report on various questions connected with coal mining. From the 17 to the 25th October nine coal mines were inspected. Among the visitors two (Lord Monkswell and Sir Lindsay Wood) were mine owners, one (Mr. Robert Smillie, M. P.) is well known as the leader of the Scotch miners, the others (Mr. Ratcliffe Ellis, (Mr. Sidney W. Harris and Mr. Cunynghame) were Deputies of the Home Office. Three ladies, among whom Miss Haldane, LL. D. sister of the War Secretary joined the Commission and inspected the Bochum school for miners and the Krupp works at Essen. Special attention was paid to the irrigation of coal dust introduced in all mines of the Ruhr District for limiting the danger of explosions. This method is quite unknown in England and answers its purpose very well. The police regulations for the mines and the electric hauling machinery with automatic safety apparatus will also form an interesting subject of their Report.

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B, B, & C I, RY. CONTRACTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—There are many annual contracts executed by the B. B. & C. I. Railway for the sale and purchase of materials, each contract being given to a single party, whereas there is only one contract which is divided amongst more than a dozen contractors. This particular contract is for the supply of castor-seed to the Company's Oil Mills at Sabarmatee. About 5,000 tons of castor-seed are required by the Mills and the contract is divided amongst more than a dozen persons. By this procedure the railway itself has to suffer, as instead of one purchaser in the market for castor-seed, it employs twelve persons to do the purchasing, thus enhancing the market-rate of the commodity. Supposing there were only one purchaser for these seeds, he would purchase economically and at cheap rates, while at the present system twelve or fifteen purchasers come to the market for their purchases and thus materially enhance the rates. And this enhancement in the rates result in higher prices being quoted by the contractors for the next year's supply.

These tenders are invited without any deposit money and some tenderers are given contracts for such small quantities as 100 tons each out of a total lot of 5,000 tons. It is essential that in such tenders a fixed sum of deposit money must be submitted, and the contract given to the one person who quotes the lowest rate possible. As the contract is a big one, it may be divided safely into two six-monthly contracts for 2,500 tons each. A sum of Rs

POLITICS IN PORTUGAL.

POLITICAL OFFENDERS TRIED AS ANARCHISTS.

Extraordinary Decree.

EMPHATIC JUDICIAL PROTEST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, NOVEMBER 25.

Telegrams from Lisbon state that a Decree has been promulgated, which applies to political offences, the procedure governing anarchist crimes submitting them to a Special Court.

The Judge who was appointed President of this Court immediately resigned.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—With reference to Reuter's telegram reproduced in your yesterday's issue regarding the reported banishment of H. R. H. the Crown Prince of Portugal, I am directed by Government to officially deny such unfounded rumour and to state that public order has never been disturbed since long in Portugal.—Yours, etc.,

VISCOUNT DE WREM,
Consul-General
for Portugal in British India.

Bombay, November 26.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

POLICE SEIZURE IN BERLIN.

Russian Revolutionary Rendezvous.

BIG HAUL.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 25.

The Berlin Police have seized at the house of a Social Democrat, who is a Municipal Councillor, two pantechnicons filled with Russian revolutionary leaflets, a quantity of pistols and Dum Dum cartridges and electric appliances for exploding wires, etc.

The house was a resort of Russian Terrorists.

CATTLE-DRIVING TRIALS.

Crown Takes a Firm Attitude.

DETERRENT PUNISHMENTS WANTED.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 25.

The trial of a number of cattle-driving cases, which had been transferred from Galway and elsewhere, began to-day in Dublin.

The Attorney-General said that the Crown did not ask for severe punishment but only wanted to end this business.

Five were convicted of unlawful assembly, but sentence was deferred.

RIGHT OF PUBLIC MEETING IN GERMANY.

New Bill Introduced.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 25.

The German Government has introduced a Bill into the Reichstag, granting everyone the right of association and public meeting, subject to regulations involving general police supervision of meetings.

FIGHTING IN MOROCCO.

The French Losses.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 26.

The French lost eight killed in the fight with the Beninassen tribe. Fighting was renewed yesterday. The troops are pursuing the tribesmen in the mountains.

RAILWAY DISASTER IN SPAIN.

Twenty Killed, Sixty Injured.

DERAILMENT ON A BRIDGE.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 26.

The Barcelona-Valencia Express was derailed on a bridge and was hurled over into the river. Twenty persons were killed and sixty injured.

MORE ENGLISH WEATHER.

Whirlwind in Kent.

SNOW IN THE MIDLANDS.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 26.

Heavy snow storms have occurred in the North Midlands and a whirlwind in East Kent has severely damaged farm buildings and orchards.

ORANGE RIVER COLONY.

New Ministry Formed.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 26.

Mr. Fischer has formed an Orange River Colony Ministry with Mr. Hertzog as Attorney-General and Mr. Christian Dewett as Minister of Agriculture.

AIRSHIPS FOR AMERICA.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 25.

The American Board of Ordnance has allotted a sum to buy one or more dirigible balloons with wireless telephones.

THE GOLD RESERVE.

THE Bombay Chamber of Commerce yesterday forwarded the following telegram to the Government of India :—

"Bombay Chamber of Commerce strongly support request of Exchange Banks that Government should maintain Exchange by giving gold for export freely. Consider prompt action imperative to restore confidence in gold value of the rupee."

AMERICAN FINANCIAL CRISIS.

India Council to the Rescue.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, NOVEMBER 26.

The India Council has released one million earmarked sovereigns thereby strengthening th Money Market.

The "Times" believes that the American demand for gold is almost satisfied.

EXODUS FROM AMERICA.

Record Crowds on Steamers.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 26.

A liner brought yesterday evening to Plymouth 3,200 steerage passengers which is a record from New York. There is a similar exodus from Canada whence outgoing steamers are most crowded.

AMERICAN BANK FORGERY.

Three Arrests Made.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 26.

The Assistant Cashier of the Interborough Bank in New York has been arrested for forgery. Also the Teller and a depositor have been charged with complicity.

HASKELLS GOLF BALLS LAWSUIT.

Patent Declared Invalid.

LONDON, NOVEMBER 26.

The House of Lords yesterday decided that Haskells Patent for Golf Balls was invalid.

UNREST IN CENTRAL PROVINCES.

Mr. Craddock's Plain Speaking

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHBAD. Nov, 26 1907

Mr, Craddock, Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces, speaking at Yeotmal where an Editor was recently convicted under Section 124A, said:—

"I have always heard you described as being loyal, contented and prosperous people. Well, gentlemen, all that I have seen of your people on the occasion of my meeting you in Berar has confirmed me in the belief that the description is correct. As far as I am aware nothing has occurred during the last two years to alter your attitude towards Government and Government has done nothing to make any change. But during the last two years there seems to have arisen among you a small knot of persons who appear to be discontented with their lot and who try to persuade you that you are discontented too. Well, from what I have seen and heard, gentlemen, I do not think that anything that these people have said has really disturbed your tranquillity at all or caused you to entertain any doubt of the benevolence of Government. These people have never explained and I am sure I do not know how their lot would have been better now if there had been no British Government. It is to the British Government that they owe such education as they have, and it is to the security that British Government gives them that they enjoy the incomes they now earn. But although they enjoy these benefits of communications and trade and benefits of education, though they enjoy all these, they do not hesitate or feel ashamed to impute to Government the vilest motives and to give currency to the idlest and most perverse rumours to the discredit of Government. Well, gentlemen, if persons addressed were all sensible men of experience and sound judgment I do not think they would succeed in doing much harm. But unfortunately, for want of better support they have to address themselves to young students and schoolboys and among these classes they are able, owing to their inexperience, to do a great deal of mischief. It has been necessary to put some check on their mischief and to prosecute and punish persons guilty of mischief of this kind, and you may feel certain that people who do similar mischief in future will similarly be punished.

"Gentlemen, it is a great mistake of some of you to suppose that the British Government does not want your advice or co-operation. You know very well that there are measures now before overnment for giving the people of this country increased opportunity of making their wishes known to Government and to its officess. Speaking personally for myself I have always been glad, when I am proposing any particular course of action, to hear opinions of Indian gentlemen and to hear especially any arguments or objections that they may have to make. All our Government officers are in the habit of valuing very much the advice and cooperation which you can give. There are many things which Government cannot do without your help and there are also many things which you cannot do without the help of Government. If there be cooperation between the two what great results might not be achieved in agricultural improvements, in industry and in education! On the other hand any senseless opposition to Government is bound to come to naught. It can do nothing of itself and it does not appeal to responsible men. It is impossible for Government to co-opertate with men who always abuse it and impute to it vile and dishonourable motives."

H. E. THE GOVERNOR'S LEVEE.

The Officer Commanding 2nd Battalion, the Royal Scots, will detail a Guard of Honour of 100 rank and file under the command of a Captain with two Subalterns, with Band and Regimental Colour, to be in readness facing the entrance of the Secretariat at 4-45 p. m. on the 4th December, 1907, to receive His Excellency. Dress Review Order, Summer Clothing. The Officer Commanding the Royal Garrison Artillery will arrange for a salute of 17 guns to be fired on His Excellency's arrival by the 9 pr. R. M. L. Battery on the Kennedy Sea face, West of the Railway and near the Swimming Bath, Dress, Review Order, Summer Clothing. The dress for Officers attending the Levee will be Full Dress, Winter Clothing.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad Dolka Railway, for the week ending 12th October last, amounted to Rs. 1,900, being an increase on the corresponding week of the previous year of Rs. 4. The total earnings from 1st July to 12th October last were Rs. 28,528, being an increase on the corresponding period of the previous year of Rs. 1,395.

THE statement of traffic of the Ahmedabad Prantej Railway, for the week ending 12th October last, amounted to Rs. 4,442, being an increase on the corresponding week of the previous year of Rs. 855. The total earnings from 1st July to 12th October last were Rs. 60,504, being an increase on the corresponding period of the previous year of Rs. 12,117.

THE statement of traffic of the Tapti Valley Railway, for the week ending 12th October last, amounted to Rs. 17,092, being an increase on the corresponding week of the previous year of Rs. 37. The total earnings from 1st July to 12th October last were Rs. 1,73,800, being a decrease on the corresponding period of the previous year of Rs. 5,838.

EAST INDIA RAILWAY STRIKE.

CALCUTTA AND NORTHERN INDIA.

Need of Alternative Routes.

THE ENGLEKEN AFFAIR.

AGENT REMAINS FIRM.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 26.

The following account of the state of affairs at Asansol is given in a telegram to the "Statesman" from its correspondent in that station.

Trains are getting through this station to-day with greater ease and in larger numbers than they have done since the strike commenced. Native Drivers are being employed contrary to custom on the main line. They are being instructed in the route, two Drivers being stationed on each footplate. The strikers assert, however, that the Company has now secured the services of all the available non-strikers and that no improvement can possibly take place in the present patched-up service.

The officials here have to-day issued the following notice :—With reference to the meeting held at the Institute yesterday evening, it is notified to the Staff that the reply given to them at the time to the effect that the question of the reinstatement of Engleken would not be considered by the authorities has been confirmed.

Subsequently by special advice from Calcutta Mr. Huddleston's visit to Calcutta last night must not be considered as in any way connected with Engleken's reinstatement.

In view of this statement no good results are anticipated from to-night's meeting between the Traffic Manager, the Locomotive Superintendent and the Delegates.

It is officially reported here from Adra and Khargpur that although the Guards have struck on the Bengal-Nagpur Railway trains are being manned by the Station Staffs and as the Locomotive Department stands firm no appreciable effect has resulted in the punctuality or regularity of traffic.

The acceptance by the East India Railway strikers of the proposal to form a Conciliation Board now turns upon the question of the re-instatement of Guard Engleken.

The "Englishman" states that the Asansol men have agreed with this reservation.

A telegram to the "Statesman" from Asansol reports that the meeting between Mr. Huddleston and the men's delegates arranged for last night at Asansol has fallen through owing to the Engleken controversy.

The following telegram from Asansol appears in to-day's "Statesman:"—Mr. Huddleston has returned from Calcutta. He states that the Agent distinctly declares that Engleken must not be reinstated. He expresses ignorance of the official notice issued this morning stating that his visit to Mr. Dring had nothing to do with the proposed restoration of Engleken to his former position as a servant of the Company.

An official notification has been sent to all Station Masters intimating :—It must be clearly understood that in addition to the men being required to return to duty unconditionally they are losing pay for each day's absence from duty. Further it will be necessary to consider the non-workers as strikers. While issuing this intimation the Agent thanks most heartily the loyal workers and assures them that their names will be brought before the Board of Directors for recognition and reward, they will also be protected in future."

Two gentlemen, prominent in Calcutta Commercial circles, came here to-day and requested Engleken to retire from his position as a leader of the strike, promising him, if he would do so, a good appointment. Engleken referred the matter to the men and they requested him to remain with them. Engleken then said :—"Under any circumstances I demand my Guard's appointment to be given back to me so that I may not lose the five years' bonus of the Railway Provident Fund which I forfeit by my summary dismissal, to say nothing of the slur which has unjustly been cast upon my character."

The deputation then withdrew.

Five fully laden coal trains, being about one-third of a normal day's consignment, were yesterday passed down the East India Railway into Calcutta where the coal question is becoming an acute factor.

Two more Guards have resumed work at Howrah and the Mail trains continue to get through.

With these exceptions the position regarding the strike remains unchanged. The East India Company continues to stand firm in refusing to reinstate Guard Engleken whose presence after what has happened would be an embarrassment to efficient administration, the men demanding his reinstatement as a preliminary to agreeing to refer the dispute to the proposed Conciliation Board.

A complete change has now come over the East India Railway situation. Fourteen out of the twenty Drivers at Howrah have resumed work. The whole of the men at Gomoh have come in. The Mirzapore Guards have wired that they have been staunch all through. The Cawnpore Mail trains which have been idle for three days have recommenced running, to day, and a wave in favour of the Company has set in all up the line. The Burdwan men are wavering, and further early developments are highly probable.

LATER.

An "Englishman" Extra reports that it has been decided to establish a Railway Workmen's Union in India on the lines of that institution at Home and that Guard Engleken may possibly be appointed to it to travel about the various Railways.

ALLAHABAD, NOVEMBER 26.

Regarding the strike the "Pioneer" says: It is not yet known what attitude the men north of Allahabad will take up, but it is presumed that the news of the nomination of a Board of Conciliation will materially influence them. Already enough men have returned to work to enable officials to face the situation confidently if it were not for the attitude of Cawnpore. But even with that obstacle on the line it was expected to have all the Mails despatched from Allahabad on Tuesday as usual. The firmness of Mr. Dring who, we believe, has been unhesitatingly supported and trusted by the Board of Directors at Home is in short carrying the day without assistance from outside, though no doubt the mediation proferred by the Bengal Chamber of Commerce has facilitated the settlement of the matter

CAWNPORE, NOVEMBER 25.

Two Up and two Down special trains have plied between Tundla and Cawnpore, and Allahabad and Cawnpore to-day and another Up train is expected later in the night. In each case the Loco. Inspectors have been the Drivers while an Assistant Station Master and a non-striker Guards who have been in brakes of the trains going under military escorts.

Wires received from Allahabad and Gya to-day state that the mean are all standing firm and will continue so until Guard Engleken is reinstated unconditionally.

LUCKNOW, NOVEMBER 26.

With reference to the rumours of strike on the Oudh and Rohilkhand Line the "Indian Daily Telegraph" states to-day that Major McEllinny Acting Manager of that Line, has arranged with the Locomotive Superintendent to ask a representative deputation of the drivers, both European and Native, to meet him in his office and discuss their appeal for improved pay, etc. The meeting will be held in a day or two. Major McEllinny himself states he has no doubt that he and the men will come to a satisfactory agreement. He adds that there has been no case of any threat of a strike among the men and that they know their representation will be sympathetically considered. As regards the Oudh Rohilkhand Guards their pay was increased only a few months since and there is no petition of any sort before the Traffic Superintendent or acting Manager. The sensible and sympathetic attitude of the Oudh and Rohilkhand officials in contrast with that of the East Indian has excited very favourable comment here and general opinion is that there is little probability of a strike.

News are received here yesterday that the Punjab Mail from Howrah had got as far as Allahabad and was expected back now this morning but so far has not arrived.

The Postal Department resumed yesterday despatching mails south by the regular route. It is not known whether they are getting through safely. At Cawnpore the strikers are very firm and no trains are coming through from that direction. Through booking has not yet been resumed and it is expected that even after settlement it will be several days before the East Indian Railway will accept through booking owing to congestion.

THE COLABA FIRE.

The Engineers' Widows and Families.

WE have received the following on behalf of the widows and orphans of the Parsi Engineers, Messrs. Gora and Karanjia, who lost their lives in the recent fire at Colaba :—

H. E. Sir G. Clarke	Rs. 50
Mr. P. F. Fischer	Rs. 25
Messrs. Jaffer Joosab and Co.	Rs. 25
Mr. E. F. Allum	Rs. 20

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I send herewith Rs. 50 (fifty) from H. E. the Governor for the families of the Parsi Engineers, Gora and Karanjia, who lost their lives in the recent fire at Colaba.

His Excellency thinks that the fine example of devotion to duty shown by these two men deserves to be remembered and constitutes a strong claim on the Public of Bombay for the relief of their families —Yours, &c.,

J. E. GREIG, Captain,
Military Secretary to H. E. the Governor.

II.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—With reference to the appeal for the widows and orphans of the Parsi Engineers who lost their lives in the recent fire in Colaba, I think that now that the appeal is being made a public one and not confined only to the Parsi community, the widows and orphans of the Hindus who lost their lives on the same occasion ought to be considered too.

The fitter, Bugwan Mungal, was a widower and has left a son, about 5 years of age, totally unprovided for. Perhaps some of your readers can give particulars of the family left by the other man.—Yours, &c.

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III.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—With reference to Mr. Rustom K. R. Cama's correspondence in your issue of the 15th inst. regarding a collection of Rs. 500 which appeared in the "Jam-e-Jamshed" as subscription from Parsee citizens of Bombay we beg to state that the subscriptions collected in our office are solely for the relief of the family of the late Mr. P. J. Gora, who was for upwards of 18 years in the employ of the Bombay Cotton Press Company, Ld. as their Engineer.

The above subscription has been raised by several Parsee gentlemen by sending round circulars to Parsee families only:—Yours, &c.

K. M. HEERAMANECK & Co.

FRONTIER RAIDS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, NOVEMBER 26.

A Peshawar correspondent telegraphing on the 25th instant, says that further information regarding the dacoity by the Transfrontier Afridis on the Sarband village near Peshawar seems to point to the fact that revenge and not loot was the object of the raid.

It will be remembered that during the recent dacoity at Pubbi at least one of the raiders was killed, and it is said that their leader has expressed his intention of killing ten men in place of every one of his own men who were shot.

It appears that the raiders made their way to the Sarband village on the night in question where they fired several shots. They then hid themselves by the side of the road coming from Bara Fort where they lay in wait. As they evidently anticipated a party of the Border Military Police they at once left Bara Fort and went along the road to Sarband to see what was happening there and as soon as the party reached the spot where the raiders were in ambush they were suddenly fired upon killing two and wounding three others.

In these circumstances it is highty creditable to the Border Military Police that they succeeded in hitting one of the chief men of the raiders who was shot dead.

It is expected that further raids will take place at no very distant date.

MADRAS RAILWAY MEN.

Service After Amalgamation.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 26.

Yesterday a meeting of about 2,000 men, employed by the Madras Railway was held in the open at Perambore Works, those present including mechanics, clerks, heads of various sections, to consider what course should be taken on the Agent and Manager's circular of the 18th instant, which had been circulated to the staff. The Circular was translated and explained in Tamil. It was unanimously resolved to forward a letter to the Locomotive and Carriage Superintendent of the Madras Railway accepting the notice given to the hands on condition that on or before 31st December, the Madras Railway Company shall pay or make definite arrangements for payment of all moneys due to the men agreeing to serve the new administration on the same terms as they are now serving, but on a fresh agreement.

MORTGAGE SUITS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, NOVEMBER 26.

The Government of India have been quick to recognise the hardship entailed by the recent Privy Council ruling with regard to the period of limitation applicable to suits for the sale on mortgages. The Draft Bill to amend and consolidate the law of limitation applying to British India, which is now being circularised, contains, it isunderstood, a clause which provides that suits on mortgages which would have been considered as being within the limitation of the Privy Council shall be treated as good suits if they are brought within two years. It is also proposed to allow suits, which have been dismissed as time-barred in consequence of the Privy Council ruling, to be re-instituted.

ARBUTHNOT INSOLVENCY.

Early Payment of Dividend.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 26.

Mr. F. Branson, acting Official Assignee, announces that he hopes to be able to send out notices to all creditors of the late firm of Arbuthnot and Company stating the amount of dividend payable and calling upon the creditors to take payment of the dividend before the end of the present month.

PLAGUE MEASURES IN POONA.

Wholesome Effect of Rat-killing

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, NOVEMBER, 26.

From the 16th of September last traps had been laid in various localities in the Cantonment, As a result returns up to date show the total of 4,554 rats as having been caught and destroyed in the city. The plague figures show a decline in the epidemic. So far no case of plague is reported within Cantonment limits, very stringent sanitary precautions being taken to keep the Cantonment immune from any attacks.

LALA LAJPAT RAI.

THE personality of Lala Lajpat Rai who was recently permitted to return to the Punjab from Burma has been debated by many. We reproduce above a photograph kindly lent us by *The Parsi*.

THE MURDEROUS ASSAULT ON LIEUT. BLANE.

Appeal of the Prisoners.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, NOVEMBER 26.

In the Chief Court of the Punjab before Sir William Clark and Mr. Justice Reid, Pir Bux and Hidayat appealed, the former against a sentence of transportation for life and a fine of Rs. 2,000 and the latter against a sentence of ten years' transportation and a fine of Rs. 100, passed upon them by the Sessions Judge of Rawalpindi, under Sections 307 and 394 of the Indian Penal Code, for robbing and attempting to murder Lieut. Blane in a railway train, between Rawalpindi and Champbellpur. The accused were not represented by Counsel in the Punjab Chief Court, though one of them was stated to be a rich man and there was, therefore, no case for the appellants except such as could be found in their own crudely written statements of appeal.

Pir Pux, in his statement, said :—"I am quite innocent. On the 23rd June I went to Malakand as a labourer having relations there, but on arriving at Malakand I found that my relations had left. I therefore stopped only a few days, being unable to get work and returned home on the 6th July. On the 9th July I was on my way to Kohat when the police at the instance of my enemy, Sher Mohammed Lambardar captured me at Kanjur Station. The injuries alleged to have been caused to me by falling from a train were actually caused when I was cutting wood as is borne out by the report of the Revenue Officer. The so-called identification of me by Mr. Blane was unfair. My photo was shown to him as a portrait of the man who had shot him. I who had a full grown beard was then mixed with six persons who were beardless. Naturally enough Mr. Blane then identified me. The reason why Sher Mohammed Lambardar had a grudge against me was that I gave information by which property stolen from the Commissariat Department at Campbellpur was discovered by the police in his house. Also he was tempted by the reward Rs. 500 offered by the police. The reason why another witness, Fateh Mohammed, gave evidence against me was that I had abducted a girl who was his cousin The Subordinate Court came to the conclusion that I was guilty on the sterength of the fact that there was a previous conviction against me."

Hidayat in his statement said :—"The investigation was not made at once as stated in the judgment. Ten days after the occurrence the investigation was begun on the information given by a suspected person. Had that man possessed real information he would have reported at once. Neither Lieut. Blane nor any other witness for the prosecution indentified me as one of the men on the train. The confession which I made was compelled by police influence. Before the Sessions Judge, where there was no fear, I told the true facts".

Mr. Alweyne Turner on behalf of the Crown opposed the appeal.

Mr. Blane's statement may briefly be summarised as follows :—"Shortly after the train left Rawalpindi Lieut. Blane undressed and went to sleep and later woke up to find a native fumbling with his clothes which were hanging up at his feet. Another man was standing on the footboard of the carriage on the opposite side. This man held a stick. Lieut Blane sprang up and seizing a stick made for the man in the carriage (afterwards identified as Pir Bux) who attempted to escape by the window. The second man afterwards identified as Hidayat attacked Mr. Blane with his stick and continued to belabour him as long as Mr. Blane continued to prevent Pir Bux from escaping At last Pir bux drew a revolver and shot Mr. Blane first in the hand and then in the knee. Mr. Blane thinks that two more shots were fired one striking him in the back and grazing his spine but he temporarily lost consciousness at that moment. On recovering quickly, he saw one of the accused still on the footboard who struck him across the face with a stick causing him to faint again. The train stopped next at Campbellpur and there assistance was obtained and Lieut. Blane's injuries were attended to.

The evidence of other witnesses before the Sessions Judge was to the following effect:—A uniform case was missing and was subsquently found on the line at mile 1,051. Blood stains were discovered on the ballast and were traced to the level crossing two miles from Campbellpur. A stick also was picked up close by. No further clue was obtained till the 9th July when a statement was made by an informer that Pir Bux and Hidayat were the culprits and that they had received injuries. The inquiries showed that both the men were absent from their homes and that one of them was meditating flight. Accordingly a watch was kept at various railway stations and Pir Bux was arrested at Kanjur Station at 3-45 a.m. trying to board the train as it was about to start. He had no ticket. Hidayat was caught in a cave close to the Haro River and after his capture he pointed out a place close to the house of Pir Bux where the revolver was found. He then made a full and detailed confession to a magistrate. The evidence of Mr. Randall of Lahore showed that the revolver had been stolen from him while travelling by train on the night of the 15th June. On the 13th July Lieut. Blane indentified Pir Bux as the man with the revolver and picked out Hidayat as the man with the stick. Both the men had marks of injuries which, in the opinion of the Civil Surgeon, were probably caused while jumping from a moving train. The stick found on the railway line was admitted by Hidayat to be his.

A letter was seized by the police written by Hidayat to his brother, dated Malakand 29th June, but posted (as shown by the Postmaster) in his own village near Rawalpindi on the 8th July, the obvious object of which was to establish an "alibi" in case of arrest.

On the question of identification Mr. Turner called the attention of the Court to Mr. Blane's evidence which was as follows :—"While I was in the hospital in Rawalpindi, the two accused were brought before me together with five or six other men. I was in bed at the time. A paper was held in front of my eyes and I did not look till I was told to. I looked down the line of men and at once picked out the tall accused. Then I was asked whether I recognised anyone else and I said I had seen the smaller accused somewhere, but could not say where. No help was given me. All the men were dressed in ordinary clothes and all the men looked like blackguards."

The Court decided to dismiss the appeal, to uphold the conviction and to call upon Hidayat to show cause why his sentence should not be enhanced.

THE Transport "Assaye" is to arrive at Bombay on 28th instant and "Dangola" at Karachi 11th December.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

BOMBAY BRIGADE ORDERS.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27.

Major C. G. R. Whitcombe, I. M. S., Medical Officer i/c 116th Mahrattas, is appointed Medical Officer, i/c Staff and Details, Bombay, in addition to his own duties, from 17th October, *vice* Capt. Keys, I.M.S.

SOUTHERN ARMY ORDERS.

2nd Queen's Own Rajput Light Infantry.—Major F. A. Smith, 2nd Double Company Commander, to be 2nd-in-Command, vice Major C. Hamilton, retired. Dated 26th August.

The 101st Grenadiers.—Major H. E. C. B. Nepean, 2nd-in-Command, 108th Infantry, is transferred in the same capacity, but to remain with the 104th Wellesley's Rifles, vice Major R. M. Betham, the 101st Grenadiers, transferred to the 102nd King Edward's Own Grenadiers. Dated 10th November.

102nd King Edward's Own Grenadiers.—Major R. M. Betham, 2nd-in-Command. The 101st Grenadiers, is transferred in the same capacity, to fill an existing vacancy. Dated 10th November.

108th Infantry.—Major H. T. H. Hay, 2nd in-Command, 95th Russell's Infantry, is transferred in the same capacity, vice Major H. E. C. B. Nepean, transferred to the 101st Grenadiers. Dated 10th November.

128th Pioneers.—Major J. R. Hill, 2nd Double Company Commander, 120th Rajputana Infantry, to be 2nd-in-Command. vice Lieutenant-Colonel L. M. Foster, appointed Commandant, 121st Pioneers. Dated 1st November.

Staff.—Lieutenant-Colonel B. Holloway, 27th Light Cavalry, to officiate as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Jubbulpore Brigade, vice Major T. Fraser, Royal Engineers, transferred. Dated 5th November.

Major L. St. G. LeMarchant, D. S. O., Brigade-Major, Ahmednagar Brigade, was appointed to carry on the duties of the Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Ahmednagar Brigade, in addition to his other duties from 16th to 19th October, there being no other Officer available.

Major H. P. Lane, 96th Berar Infantry, to officiate as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Secunderabad 1st (Infantry) Brigade, vice Major W. J. Anderson, West Riding Regiment, transferred to the Bombay Brigade, or until further orders. Dated 1st November.

Major W. C. Black, 12th Pioneers (The Kelat-i-Ghilzai Regiment), to officiate as Brigade-Major, Jhansi Brigade, vice Captain A. S. Capper, 39th Prince of Wales's Own Central India Horse, transferred. Dated 11th November.

Captain J. H. F. Lakin, 92nd Punjabis, to officiate as Brigade-Major, Rangoon Brigade, vice Major F. G. M. Rowley, Middlesex Regiment, vacated. Dated 13th November.

86th Carnatic Infantry.—Captain C. D. Field, Double Company Officer, 88th Carnatic Infantry, to be 4th Double Company Commander, to fill an existing vacancy, but to remain seconded, and Captain B. C. Kauntze, Double Company Officer, to be pro tem. 4th Double Company Commander, vice Captain C. D. Field, seconded. Dated 1st November.

The 101st Grenadiers.—Major P. H. Cunningham Double Company Commader, and Officiating 2nd-in Command, 108th Infantry, to officiate as 2nd-in-Command, vice Major H.E.C.B. Nepean, attached for duty with the 104th Wellesley's Rifles. Dated 10th November.

120th Rajputana Infantry.—Major C. Burrard, 2nd Double Company Commander, 121st Pioneers, is transferred in the same capacity, vice Major J. R. Hill, transferred to the 128th Pioneers. Dated 1st November.

121st Pioneers.—Major C. R Kauntze, late 77th Moplah Rifles, attached, to be 2nd Double Company Commander, vice Major C. Burrard, transferred to the 120th Rajputana Infantry. Dated 1st November.

Lieutenant J. W. Renny-Tailyour, R. H. A., is appointed Instructor in Gunnery at the Artillery Practice Camp at Nasirabad, vice Lieutenant B. S. Ward, R. F. A., relieved.

It having been decided that the Batteries of the V. Brigade, R. F. A., will carry out their practice at Laknadon, the following officers are detailed as the Staff for that Camp :—Instructor in Gunnery. Capt. F. Rainsford Hannay, 44th Battery, R. F. A., Range Officer. Lieutenant G. Ormerod, "R" Battery R. H. A., Assistant Range Officer. Lieutenant W. Weatherbe, No. 8 Ammunition Column, R.F.A.

The General Officer Commanding Southern Army, sanctions privilege leave to the undermentioned officer for thirty-eight days, from the 20th November, or from such date as he may avail himself of it :—Brigadier-General L. M. M. Hall, C. B., Commanding Southern Brigade. J. W. Tulloch, Brigadier-General.

BOMBAY—ARRIVALS, NOVEMBER 26.—Davie, Capt., 34th Poona Horse, from England.
Lock, Major, 102nd Grenadiers, from England.
Kitson, Major-General, Staff, from Jubbulpore.
Hawdon, Lieut., 21st Cavalry, from Bannu.
Duperier, Major-General, D.G.M.W., from Ahmednagar.

DEPARTURES, NOVEMBER 26.—Lock, Major, 102nd Grenadiers, to Mhow.
Gavie, Capt., 34th Poona Horse, to Aurungabad.

DECENTRALISATION COMMISSION IN MADRAS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, NOVEMBER 26.

The Decentralisation Commission to day examined Rai Bahadur M Audinarayaniah, retired Deputy Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Mr. C T. H. Johnson, I. C. S., Divisional Officer Negapatam who said he had to submit an excessive number of returns and statements which took up a considerable amount of time. He thought it would be possible to abolish a considerable number of these statements and returns or they might be safely delegated to some of his Subordinates to prepare and to forward. Asked if he thought it would be possible in his Division to get together something like an Advisory Council which would be of advantage to him, witness replied:—"I do not see exactly on what point an Advisory Council would be consulted on which I do not consult local opinion. As it is I know most of the members of the Taluq Board and already consult them on several matters.

THE first meeting of the current Calcutta session of the Legislative Council of the Governor-General is to take place on 3rd January next when the Civil Procedure Bill is liksly to be referred to a Select Committee and the Trust Bill and the Legal Practitioners' Bill may be advanced a stage.

KARACHI NOTES AND NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

KARACHI, NOVEMBER 21.

URBAN CONGESTION.

The Goa-Portuguese community is to be congratulated on its whole-hearted attempt to provide its members with decent habitations at reasonable rents. For many years the community has been housed in the District of the Sadar Bazaar contiguous to St. Patrick's Church, and in a few remoter quarters such as Garikata. As the Goanese increased in numbers, rents went up to a pitch that resulted in the inevitable overcrowding. The houses, too, were mostly the property of landlords who were out for all possible profit, and saw that they got it.

A few enterprising gentlemen have therefore now acquired a decent site for a new Goanese settlement to be built on the co-operative system. The land, appropriately enough for such a scheme, is in the Garden Quarter. Municipal water will need to be laid on, but it goes without saying that the Municipality will not be grasping in its demands, and that with an adequate guarantee the laying of the mains will be undertaken as soon as the foundations of the houses are laid. It seems also highly desirable that a tramway extension should be made in the same direction, for the Goanese who can boast their carriages are certainly in a minority. This tramway extension, however, will also tap the traffic to and from the Municipal Gardens which attract large numbers of foot visitors every evening and dense crowds on Sundays, holidays and band nights.

The unfortunate tramway is of course bound by all sorts of limitations between the Municipality and the Cantonment Committee, so much so that not even yet after 12 years effort has it succeeded in getting its lines through to Cantonment Station! It is to be hoped that these parties will come to terms as to this extension past the Native Lines to the Gardens, at all events within the present decade. That the tramway runs neither to the Cantonments Railway Station nor to the Gardens is an injustice to the Tramway Company, but a far greater injustice to would-be passengers who literally swarm in both directions.

It is good to find that the Municipality intend to continue the fight against plague by every means in their power. Provision has been made to pay for lakhs of rats, for the disinfection and pesterining of houses which had such satisfactory results in the Runchore Lines last year. Of course there is really nothing like inoculation, but whatever the heads of the various communities pretend in public and at Municipal meetings, they seem still to nourish a superstitious dislike of it and indeed of almost all preventive measures except evacuation!

They may be ashamed to avow their secret opinions openly, but certainly they do nothing to support Dr. Kaka and his assistants in the anti-plague campaign.

In one matter the Municipality does not seem to be doing well, particularly in the quarter known as the Old Town.

Here the streets are very irregularly laid out. The road that in one place is forty-five feet wide a little lower down may be less than thirty. There are also many narrow alleys, as there are in the City of London and in Yarmouth, and some of them most unsavoury.

Years ago the Municipality seems to have taken it into its collective head that it was a desideratum to have roads of a regular width. Why regular? The traffic consists of such unspeedy vehicles as bylegharris. There are donkeys and a few slow nags, but no motors, horse-carriages or even mule-carts. Why regular? Wider granted, but why regular!

The writer has visited several spots where re-alignment by means of a set-back of houses is under contemplation.

Now where the present owners' grandparents shoved the fronts of their houses into the roadway, as they often did, it was almost always for one reason. Not for greedy land-grabbing, but because the plot was not of sufficient depth to allow of building without poaching a yard or two from the public thoroughfare. If the owner of such a plot seeking to re-build is told he must set back and take compensation for the land surrendered, he can but say in effect—"Hang it! What's left is not big enough for anything but a fire-place and a chimney." The result is that the Municipality has to take over the whole plot at a price fixed by the Panchayat, usually a pretty stiff figure running to over 50 or even 60 rupees per square yard. The Municipality gets its alignment of course, but has left on its hands a few square yards of land useless, because of its narrow dimensions, for any purpose. It has also run up the values of adjacent plots against itself, and the displaced inhabitants crowd into the next street and make the confusion of congestion even worse confounded. Now of course the whole question of the clearance of slums is one of the most difficult and expensive businesses any urban authority can have to tackle. There is not any such body, from the London County Council downwards, but has more or less made a mess of such business. To make noisome alleys into fair roadways and to make narrow crooked streets into adequate thoroughfares is good work and is worth the cost. But one cannot help feeling that the Karachi Municipality is in some way bound and hedged by some ill-conceived plans and faulty precedents in its operations, particularly in that it makes a positive fetich of straight, regular streets.

No city in the world of the same age as Karachi Old Town can boast of straight and regular streets, except Paris. What Baron Haussmann effected in large with the whole of the Imperial authority and purse behind him it is doubtful if the Karachi Municipality can effect in little without at least proportionate expenditure. And Karachi cannot afford it.

However desirable Boulevards may be in Paris, such roads are hardly required in the quiet and slow Karachi Old Town.

Before another rupee is spent in such direction it seems most important that the whole alignment system be re-considered. In as far as money is spent simply to make crooked streets straight, where the crookedness really does not matter, there being light and air for all, the money is being thrown away.

FUEL.

It is understood that the Forest Department has made a rebate of Rs. 35,000 to the wood contractor on condition of his retailing the wood at 10 annas per maund in Karachi. It is certain that the wood is not being retailed at the agreed figure. The contractor gives as an excuse that the Municipality will nor grant him sites for retail depots. Why should the Municipality be drawn into the matter? The contractor has made an excellent bargain no doubt, but he seeks to augment his profits still further by neglecting to fulfil the conditions of the rebate. Sites can be obtained for fuel depots or for any other business by any man who is prepared to pay the necessary rent. The necessary rent means about Rs. 100 a month for a large enough site in the busy part of the Town. Does the contractor offer the Municipality or any other landlord such rent? Or is ten rupees nearer his idea? If the contractor opened only one such depot where the retail price was ten annas per maund, all the other retailers would have to follow suit in prices, and the object of the Forest Department's concession would be obtained. As it is, we go on paying famine prices for fuel—fourteen, fifteen annas and at times even a rupee per maund.

If the Forest Department cannot make the contractor fulfil its conditions, let us hope that at all events it will not allow the agreed rebate. There seems something rotten in management when timber that is State property can be so disposed of as to enable a contractor to obtain a

FACTORY COMMISSION.

The Factory Labour Commission resumed its sittings yesterday afternoon at the Council Hall, Pombay Secretariat, the Hon'ble Mr. W. T. Morison presiding. All the members of the Commission were present. The proceedings commenced with Mr. Harrison of the Central Spinning and Weaving Company, who said that after working till six o'clock in the evening mill operatives got quite exhausted, with the result that they worked less efficiently. In his opinion they should not be made to work more than twelve hours a day including the interval of half an hour. He came out to India in 1887. The men had since been more efficient in their work but not more steady. His experience in India was that if the men worked for twelve hours instead of thirteen, they would work more efficiently.

The President :—"If you worked for twelve hours a day, you would have to use electric light for half an hour to an hour on short days?"

Witness :—"Yes."

"You are then, I believe, in favour of restricting the hours of adults rather than of young men?"

"Yes."

Continuing, witness said that mill hands would not complain at all if all the mills were placed on an equal footing to secure uniformity in work at the rate of 12 hours a day.

The Hon'ble Mr. Vithaldass :—"If one mill worked for 12 hours and another for 13 hours, which mill would the workmen prefer?"

Witness :—"They would prefer to work in a place where they would get extra pay."

"The mill hands would prefer to go to the mill where they can earn more money?"

"Yes, surely, they would like to earn more money."

"If mill hands did not desire to work longer hours, can the masters command them?"

"No."

"Then they are independent so far as the working hours are concerned?"

"Yes. They do not like to be dictated to in the matter of working hours.

CERTIFICATE OF AGE.

The next witness examined was Mr. Gokuldas Naranji, manager of the Bombay United Spinning and Weaving Company. He said regarding certificates of age for children, that he was of opinion that an allowance of about 10 days should be given by law, in which a manager might engage a boy prior to his obtaining a certificate of age; but a certificate of physical fitness was not necessary, as it would create confusion on account of the varying standards that may be applied by different medical men. He thinks the present limit of nine years for children is quite reasonable, and should not be enhanced, as he is of opinion, based on many years' close observation, that children do not suffer any physical deterioration by working in cotton factories. If the age limit be enhanced, it would entail much suffering and privation on people of that class. Children at the age of nine are sufficiently developed to readily learn the work they are called upon to do, and it is good that they should learn habits of work early in life and earn an honest livelihood.

Reading the suggestion to create a class of young persons, he was of opinion that it was not at all necessary; and, if adopted, it would throw out of employment a large number of operatives, and at the same time would be detrimental to factories and create confusion, as this class of workmen formed not less than 20 per cent. of the total, especially in ring mills.

Regarding the suggestion to fix definite time limits for the working hours of adult males, he did not think this necessary, but that it should be left to employers and employés to be settled among themselves. Mill labour was not so hard as certain kinds of other labour, and mill-hands are in the habit of taking rest at frequent intervals during working hours and are always willing to secure engagement in mills, where they have the certainty of a permanent income.

Mr. Nowroji Edulji Serewalla, on being examined, said he represented the Coorla Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, which employ on an average 915 men, 330 women and 225 children. He was of opinion that the

WORKING HOURS

of male adults should not be limited, though it is very desirable to have a uniform working day of 13 hours. The physique of workers has not been affected by long hours. The hours should not be limited to 12 working hours. The engine should be stopped for half an hour between noon and 2 p.m. There is no necessity to create a new class of workers intermediate between half-timers and adults, for that would in his opinion encourage illegal employment as adults, of children between the ages of 12 and 14.

It would be a burden on mill authorities to keep a special register of all workers under the age of 16. The present restrictions are quite sufficient, or, if desired, the factories could be inspected more frequently than at present. The minimum age at which children are allowed to work in factories should not be raised beyond nine. A certificate of both age and physical fitness should be required before children are allowed to work in factories.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

to children was given by factory owners at their own expense, but the scheme did not work, as the children liked better to play during the recess than to attend school. It is not advisable to force factory owners to provide elementary education to children. If the hours of adult labour are restricted at all, the restriction should take the form proposed, that is, the imposition of definite time limits beyond which no operative could be legally employed. Witness in conclusion said that it was not necessary to have Inspectors from the United Kingdom, as the present ones are quite capable of doing their duty.

Cross-examined by the President, the witness said that mill operatives had considerably improved in efficiency and skill during the last few years. If they were compelled to work only for twelve hours, they would still improve. At first they would grudge if the hours of work were restricted, but when they saw they were legally restricted they would in time be reconciled to the new conditions of life.

The Commission then adjourned till this afternoon.

"THE RAILWAY BOARD GUIDE."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—The Railway Board, perhaps to justify its existence, has taken the public into its confidence and presented it with its First Edition in the shape of the "Traveller's Companion" being a brief description of places of pilgrimage and important towns in India, together with a decent map of the Railway system in India corrected up to the 31st March 1907. There are over 40 excellent photographs of the chief places of interest in Bengal, Madras and Bombay. Bombay City has been favoured with only two photos, the Victoria Terminus of the G. I. P. Railway, (while that for the B. B. and C. I. Railway has been omited and the Elephanta Caves. Surely a photo of "one of the most beautiful harbours in the world" would have gone far to enliance the value of the "Companion," and which certainly has a greater claim than Marmugoa Harbour of the Western India Portuguese Railway which appears in it. A short account of Simla, the Summer Capital of the Viceroy and of the Government of India, is given, while not a line is mentioned about the Summer Capital of the Western Presidency (Mahableshwar), nor of the Southern Presidency (Ootacamund). Igatpuri comes in for some passing notice, while Lonavla, Khandala and Matheran have been entirely ignored! Bassein, with its famous ruins, is shown under "Bombay," and Toongar Hill, it seems, serves as a Sanitarium for poor families who cannot afford to go to the more expensive place called Matheran, also the two ancient Maratha forts of Lohagad and Visapur rise majestically over the Karla caves and are well worth a visit. In the Second Edition it is hoped that the "Companion" will contain more reliable information for the benefit of the travelling public. Another improvement would be to put the initials of the Railway to which the station is connected immediately after it; as, for instance, Karla (G. I. P.), Coimbatore (M. R.) Agashi (B. B. & C. I. Ry.), Mirzapore (E. I. Ry.), Mooltan (N. W. Ry.) Vencatagiri (S. I. R.), and so on as the stations are printed with a heading in alphabetical order, with a description. It is just as well to inform the Railway Board that Toongar Hill is not a Sanitarium and never has been one; while the two forts referred to are not near the Karla Caves, but are in the opposite direction miles away, and may be seen on the right from the train for Poona after passing the Karla Railway station.—Yours, &c.,

OBSERVER.

We understand that the Hon'ble Dr. Rash Behari Ghose has accepted the invitation to preside at the 23rd Session of the Indian National Congress to be held at Surat in December next.

THE B. P. R. A. RIFLE MEETING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MEERUT, NOVEMBER 25.

On Saturday last a very successful meeting was brought to a close by the distribution of prizes, when the Officers in Camp were "At Home" to the station. Mr. Henry gave away the prizes, which were both numerous and handsome. In the hands of Colonel Campbell and his Staff, the arrangements of the meeting left little to be desired. The marking was exceedingly good; the new stop butt and targets worked without a hitch; the programme was admirably arranged, and the squadding of competitors most satisfactory. All that was left to be desired was, (1) more targets for spoon hall shooting in the afternoon; (2) rather less delay over the preliminary arrangements for the Meerut Cup Competition, and (3) a clearer system of posting daily notices on the Notice Board. As regards the first of these complaints, I need only say that as competitors had to wait for 2 hours to fire 3 series of 3 shots, the complaint is justified. As regards (2) I feel I need only draw the attention of the Council to the matter, and as to (3) I would suggest that the Notice Board be divided up into columns, headed by the days of the week, and each day's notices posted in that column.—So much for complaint, which are really hardly worthy of notice, and which, I doubt not, will be remedied next meeting.

The shooting showed a distinct improvement on that of last year. Last year's average score was 30·8 per range over 9 ranges. Last year the conditions were, on the whole easy. We had no heavy winds, and no dust. This year the winner made exactly the same score, per range, over 10 distances, which included two at 1,000 yards. This year we had heavy winds and furious dust storms, so there can be no question but that this year's winner did better than last year's. Moreover, competitors found it a much more difficult matter to get into the Prize List. It was no uncommon thing for 32s. to be counted out, while 31s. were never to be relied upon at the shorter-ranges. I congratulate Sergt. Critchell of the Sind Volunteers on winning the Championship. He has attended this meeting for very many years and is a painstaking and reliable shot. His experience stood him in good stead or the "tricky" conditions we had to contend with this year. Captain Graham, who won the Officers Championship, Volunteer De Cruz who won the Volunteer Championship, and Sergt. Goodwin who won Class Championship, ran Sergt. Critchell very close, and a very slight turn of Fortune's wheel would have given one of them premier honours. As it was, Sergt. Goodwin only lost the Gold Medal on the tie. Both the other winners, referred to above, were in remarkably fine form. Captain Graham had only one bad shoot throughout the whole of the meeting. The same remark applies to Volunteer De Cruz, who, by the way, put on 101 in the match, Army versus Volunteers, on the last day.

It is difficult to compare this year's and last year's results in the *practical* matches, as the conditions were in no instance exactly similar. I am inclined to think that there has been a general improvement in the shooting for these events. I mean there were more men this year, who made presentable scores in each match, though the winners did not make any advance on the winning scores of last year. Undoubtedly this general improvement is a far more satisfactory one than the marked, improvement of a few individual performers. These practical matches are gradually gaining in popularity as men find out that it not luck, but practice, which makes for success. I believe that these matches would be taken much more seriously by competitors if they were "squadded" matches and if a separate championship were arranged for the best aggregate score made in them. I did hear it whispered that the Council of the B. P. R. A. intend to do something of the kind next year. There is no room for doubt that this is the class of shooting that must be encouraged, if the B. P. R. A. is to justify the object of its existence, viz. the promotion and encouragement of Rifle Shooting in India. Bull's eye shooting is well enough; it is an art in itself; it develops patience and nerve; it trains the eye and accustoms a man to the use of a rifle. It is, moreover, a good sport, and one from which that element, miscalled "luck," is largely eliminated. But it is only half the battle. A rifleman cannot always dwell on his aim. He cannot always be sure of his distance; cannot always get a clear billet for his bullet. He must learn to fire rapidly and accurately at an indistinct object. He must learn to judge by eye, both distance, wind and weather. Until he can do all this,—and more—with some sure amount of success, he is only half a rifleman, and is of very doubtful use when he has to use his rifle in anger. Thus it follows that the B. P. R. A. are on the right lines in paying greater attention, year by year, to that part of their programme which is more practical than bull's eye shooting.

The respective merits of the short and the long rifle were hotly debated. The prevalent opinion seemed to be that while the short rifle was the better weapon for short ranges and quick firing, the long rifle had the pull of it at the longer distances. Whether this view is correct remains to be proved. Prejudices die hard, especially in India, and the prejudice in favour of the long rifle is still very much alive. The fact remains that Sergeant Bridges of the Connaughts won the Championship at Meerut in 1906 with a short rifle and, this year, several men who used this weapon, were well up in the aggregates. It will be time enough to condemn this new rifle as the inferior weapon, when more of our crack shots have tried it, and failed with it. Until then, it cannot be fairly condemned. In this view, the order of the Council, that, in future, competitors shall fire with the type of weapon with which their unit is armed is a wise one. Because a man has learned to shoot well with the long rifle, is no reason why he should not learn to shoot equally well with the short one, especially as it has been proved that equally good shooting can be done with both. And it is manifestly absurd that in a meeting designed to improve his efficiency as a rifleman, a soldier should use a different type of weapon to that which he will use when his efficiency is put to the test on service. I may add that the new rule is so framed to as allow Volunteers to use the new short rifle, and as so many of them are crack shots it is to be hoped they will arm themselves with it and show what can be done with it in the hands of men who understand it, and can 'hold straight."

The Team matches—would that there were more of them, resulted in a very creditable win for the Cameronians, in the Meerut Cup, and for the Army, in the Army vs. Volunteers. This is the second year in succession that the Army have won this match. Volunteers must look to their laurels.

DARJEELING ASSAULT CASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, NOVEMBER 26.

In the Darjeeling Mail Assault Case at Bogra yesterday the examination of Mr. Coates was concluded and that of Mr. Smart was taken. Both repudiated the suggestion that they would take offence at a native travelling in the same compartment, their evidence going to show that the attack made upon them was both unexpected and unprovoked. Mr. Smart said he had been unable to do any work. Since the injury inflicted upon him he had been ordered Home by a Medical Board.

CAN THIS BE TRUE?

Our citizens may dispute facts, but they cannot disprove them. To add anything by way of an introduction to the opinion given below might detract from its value or lessen its weight. Bombay citizens can safely be left to draw their own conclusions based upon such convincing proofs. It means that it is just as it is represented to be.

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SPORTING NEWS.

OWING to a printer's error "Wuffy" was omitted from the list of unsuccessful runners in the Manchester November Handicap telegraphed to us by our London carrespondent on Saturday last and published in Monday's edition.

BOMBAY HUNT.

Prospects of the Coming Season.

Our new Pack of Fox-hounds, consisting of 29 couple, has now been in India for the space of about five weeks, and owing to regular exercise the hounds are already in first-class condition. Everybody is not, perhaps, aware of the difficulties and troubles which have to be overcome in the uncertain and laborious task of rendering a pack of hounds in a suitable state to hunt in this country. Hounds usually arrive from Home in a pig fat condition after the weeks of inforced confinement during the long sea journey, and to the uninitiated it might seem an easy thing to remove from them any excess of adipose tissue, but they very frequently do not take at all kindly to the sweltering heat of a Bombay October, and it is therefore only by the most assiduous attention to each and every hound that a satisfactory result can be attained. In England a fox-hound is looked upon as a particularly hardy animal, which nature has blessed with a strong constitution, but when brought into the tropics, especially during the first month or so of his exile, he requires almost the same devoted care which the affectionate mother pays to the new-born babe. We accordingly owe our grateful thanks to the energetic and unselfish M. F. H. and to his hard-working staff, who by their unsparing efforts have brought the pack to its present state of perfection. Circumstances necessitated the employment of a new Kennel Huntsman, unversed in the vagaries of our trying Indian climate, but he seems to have his whole heart in his work, and promises to be a Hunt servant of whom we may all be proud. The Hunt officials, we are glad to note, have been successful in purchasing a somewhat better stamp of horse than we have noticed in past seasons. Different people may have their various likes and dislikes as regards the breed of horse which is the most adaptable to the Salsette hunting country, but there is doubtless only one opinion that a man, dressed in the regulation "Pink" hunting coat, has the appearance of being far better mounted on the Australian animal than on either the Arab or Country-bred. Owing to the failure of the late September rains, it has been possible for the sport to be started at a somewhat earlier date than is usually the case. The ground at the present moment has much the same appearance as might be expected in the month of February, and although the holes in the historic melon ground may not in reality be worse than usual, they certainly seem to give one that impression. One has to record, with great regret, an accident to one of the popular and always genial whips, who in the exercise of his duties was galloping at great speed through a field of uncut grass, so blind that neither horse nor rider could see the obstruction which caused the fall. Unfortunately this regrettable accident has been the means of incapacitating this gentleman for some weeks as regards the riding to hounds is concerned. It is rumoured, we are delighted to hear, that circumstances permitting, we may be provided a little later on with frequent bye-days in addition to the stereotyped Sunday and Thursday Meets. In view of the exceptional support, which the Jackal Club is already receiving before the sport has even begun, it would seem that any extra bye-day will be very highly appreciated by a large number of the followers of the chase; in fact if the fields assume much larger proportions than was the case during the greater part of last season, an extra day's hunting during the week would appear to be almost a necessity. The opening Meet will take place at the Jackal Club on Thursday, the 28th instant, and it may perhaps not be out of place to recommend those younger members of the hunting community, who are anxious to ride hard, that a new pack of hounds will often take the strongest exception to being pressed by horsemen too close behind them. It is consequently more than ever necessary to give a new Pack plenty of space. See that the hounds have a clear two fields start, and the then sit down and catch them, if you can.

JACKAL.

LUCKNOW RACES.

First Extra Meeting.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, NOVEMBER 26.

The first day of the extra meeting was of interest in that the fields were fairly full. There was quality represented despite the large number of stables that have left for Calcutta and issues were mostly well contested. But the public have no reason to be jubilant, as in three races particularly rank outsiders upset all calculations. The attendance was very satisfactory in point of numbers and Sir John Hewett and his party and General and Lady Elliot were present.

Details :—

HORSE HURDLES.

Major Moore's Daroji 12st.....A Hoyt 1
Mr Durham's Rupchu 11st 7lbs.....Owner 2
Captain Gibbs' and Mr Botton's Loddon 10st 11lbs Mr Botton 3

Also ran :—Oyster 11st 7lbs, Wandering Willie 11st (fell), Wallace 10st 7lbs, ran out.

Betting.—5 to 4 on Daroji, 4 to 1 Rupchu, 5 to 1 Oyster, 6 to 1 the others.

Won by one and a quarter length fifteen lengths, between second and third. Time—3mins. 5 secs.

CHARBAGH PLATE.

Thakur Sri Pat Singh's Fusser 11st 7lbs.....William 1
Mr William's Pasha 10st 11lbs.....Owner 2
Colonel Abud's Martini 10st.....Beecham 3

Betting.—5 to 2 on Nusser, 6 to 4 against Pasha; 10 to 7 Martini.

Won easily by two lengths; twenty lengths separating second and third. Time—1 min. 25 2-5 secs.

HORSE HANDICAP.

Captain McNeile's White Heather 11st 7lbs...Mr Miles 1
Mr Rowan's Lady Thespian 11st 3lbs.....Bond 2
Colonel Beaver's Highland Fling 11st 3lbs...P. Morrison 3

Also ran.—Africa 11st 3lbs, Lady Thirza 11st 3lbs, Nell Gwynne 11st 1lb.

Betting.—5 to 4 against Highland Fling and Lady Thespian, 10 to 1 others.

Won by two lengths, same distance between second and third. Time—1 min. 19 secs.

ARAB HANDICAP.

Captain Jeffrey's Migidi 8st 6lbs.....Killorn 1
Mr Rees' Diamond 10st 6lbs.....Captain Tudor 2
Mr C Murray's Imtiyas 8st 6lbs.....Stowie 3

Also ran.—Little Exile 11st 7lbs, Hazard 10st 7lbs, Ariel 8st 10lbs, Silver Ring 7st 8lbs, Toddles 7st 8lbs, Star of Bombay 7st.

Betting.—2 to 1 against Little Exile, 4 to 1 Silver Ring, 5 to 1 Diamond, 6 to 1 the others.

Won by three-quarter of a length, same distance between second and third. Time—55 2/5secs.

MAHOMEDBAGH PLATE.

Mr. Rose's Primrose 10st 10lbs.....Howie 1
Mr Rowan's Picaninny 11st 7lbs.....Ames 2
Colonel Beaver's Little Dolly 10st 8lbs...Mr Tomkinson 3

Also ran :—Koorlong 9st 10lbs, (carried 9st 11lbs); Moombeam 9st 8lbs, Aurie 8st, Mermaid 8st 11lb.

Betting :—5 to 2 against each Primrose and Elsie; 4 to 1 Picaninny and Little Dolly, sixes the others.

Won easily by a length, half a length between second and third, a head separating third and fourth. Time—1min. 7 1/5 secs.

BANARSI PLATE.

Captain Cooke Young's Nittle 10st 8lbs.....Mr Charrington 1
Captain McNeile's Colonel 9st 9lbs.....Killorn 2
Mr Ree's Diamond 11st 8lbs.....Captain Tudor 3

Also ran.—Khalifa 10st 8lbs, Thuyyar 10st 5lbs, Musket 9st 9lbs.

Betting.—Evens Thuyyar; 5 to 2 against Colonel, 4 to 1 Diamond; tens Khalifa and Musket, and twenty Nittle.

Won by half a length, two lengths between second and third, a short head separating third and fourth Time.—1 min. 11 secs.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.

The following races will be sailed on Saturday 30th instant :—

A Class Handicap—Course No. 40, start at 3-40 p. m.
B Class Handicap—Course No. 39, start at 3-45 p. m.
C Class Handicap—Course No 39, start at 3-50 p. m.
Ships Boat (service rig—Course No. 4 reversed, start at 3-30 p. m.

LUCKNOW POLO TOURNAMENT.

15th Hussars Win the Dragoons Cup.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, NOVEMBER 25.

The final match in the Royal Dragoons Cup Polo Tournament was played off this evening in the presence of a large gathering, embracing the Lieutenant-Governor and party, General and Lady Elliot and other distinguished visitors. The game was between the Royal Lancers, comprising Messrs. Bryant, R. Wood, Major Clifton Brown and Mr. Murray (back), and the 15th Hussars—Mr. Barry, Major Kennard, Hon'ble D. Bingham, and Major Bramwell (back). The umpires were Major Luard, and Mr. Tomkinson. This was another sensational game among others we have witnessed in this tournament. For five out of six chukkers the Lancers were having the best of the game and had the Hussars mostly on the defensive and at the close of fifth chukker the score was two goals to love in favour of Lancers. Then in the sixth chukker the Hussars played up splendidly and got two goals in quick succession amidst wildest excitement, the game closing in a tie after full time.

The goals were widened and after a minute and half's extra play the Hussars who were on the offensive hit the winning goal. Lady Hewett presented the Cup to the winners.

CRICKET.

BOMBAY BOHRA C. C. vs. RANDER ISLAM GYMKHANA.

This match was played on the Islam Gymkhana ground on the 20th and 21st instant :—

BOMBAY BHORA C. C.

1st Innings		2nd Innings.	
Mr H O Tyebji, c Doctor, b Bharucha	2	b Mullaji	5
Mr C M Ali, b C Nakhoda	42	c Bharucha, b C Nakhoda	22
Mr A H Pitalwalla, b Bharucha	3	b Mullaji	21
Mr K Contractor, run out	14	c Ismail, b C Nakhoda	0
Mr Nulwalla, b Bharucha	10	b-w, Nakhoda	2
Mr Taber Ali, not out	12	b Mullaji	0
Mr S Sodagar, c Nokhat, b Mullaji	0	c and b C Nakhoda	2
Mr Sanchiawalla, c Ismail, b Mullaji	0	c Bharucha, b Nakhoda	2
Mr Tailor, b Mullaji	2	b Bharucha	5
Mr F Pitalwalla, b C Nakhoda	5	b Mullaji	0
Mr H Saya, b Mullaji	1	Not out	4
Extras	10	Extras	5
Total	102	Total	68

ISLAM GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr A Nakhoda, b C M Ali	10	b C M Ali	2
Mr Ebrahim, A E St Taberali, b C Mall	3	b C M Ali	20
Mr Ahmed Jiva, b Sodagar	1	b C M Ali	19
Mr Nakhoda, c c Nulwalla, b C Mall	2	b C M Ali	5
Mr Nokhat, E St Taberali, b C M Ali	5	b C M Ali	22
Mullaji, run out	10	b Sodagar	10
Bharucha, b C M Ali	10	c F Pitalwalla, b Sodagar	2
Kesoof Mamoo, b Sodagar	8	run out	0
Moorad E, run out	1	b Sodagar	1
Doctor, not out	3	not out	0
Lorwa E, c Nulwalla, b Sodagar	1	c C M Ali, Nulwalla	4
Extras	0	Extras	3
Total	54	Total	94

FOOTBALL.

ROYAL SCOTS "MURRAY" LEAGUE.

THE following are the results in the 2nd Battalion Royal Scots "Murray" League, Deolali Detachment :—

				Goals.		
Coy.	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	For	Agst.	Points
"G"	6	4	0	2	11	3	10
"D"	6	2	3	1	10	10	5
"C"	6	2	3	1	7	8	5
"B"	6	2	4	0	2	9	4

G. Coy. the Champions of Deolali, will meet the Champions of Bombay (Head-Quarters) later on. The Bombay League is still in progress.

THE SURAT CONGRESS.

The "Indu Prakash" gives an account of the meeting held at Surat on Sunday last for the election of the President of the next Indian Congress:—

As arranged at Thursday's public meeting, a meeting of the provisional Reception Committee was held on Sunday in Rao Bahadur Naginchund Zaverchand's Public Hall, under the presidentship of Rao Bahadur Khandubhai Gulabhai Desai, to appoint the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and the Executive Committee of the Reception Committee and to nominate the President for the 23rd Sessions of the Indian National Congress. At Thursday's meeting about 500 gentlemen had been elected members of the Reception Committe subject to their agreeing to so serve and their paying the fee of Rs. 25 each. Intimation was accordingly sent by the Secretaries of all these provisionally elected gentlemen that only those out of them shall be considered finally elected members of the Reception Committee entitled to vote at its meetings as would pay the fee prescribed and get themselves enrolled by 5 p. m. on the day of the first meeting viz. Sunday the 24th. A number of people had come in response from Bombay, Ahmedabad, Broach, Balsar and other places, but none from those of the Deccan about whose election there was a fracas at Thursday's meeting. From Sunday morning gentlemen began to arrive from these places, while a strong posse of men came from Ahmedabad and Broach by the afternoon train. Among those gentlemen who came from Bombay were the Hon. Messrs. G. K. Gokhale, G. K. Parekh, H. S. Dikshit, Messrs D. G. Padhve, Dalvi, Chunilal Dharamdas Sarraiya, T.N. Malvi, Rao Bahadur C. V. Vaidya and others. Among those from Ahmedabad were Divan Bhadur Ambalal Sakerlal, Mr. Ramanbhai Mahipatram and from Broach Mr. Ambashanker Muliji, Chairman of the Broach District Association, and others. The meeting was held at five o'clock, at which the programme was gone through.

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. Parekh, seconded by Mr. Thakoreram Kapilram, R. B. Khandubhai was voted to the chair. The honour of being the Chairman of the Reception Committee was next conferred upon Mr. Tribhovandas Narotamdas Malvi, B.A., LL. B., Solicitor. The proposition was moved by Mr. Motabhai Motilal Desai, and seconded and supported by Messrs. Bezonji, Markund and Gulabchund Devchund. The speakers spoke at some length upon the public benefactions and charities of Mr. Malvi. Mr. Bhulabhai Jiwanji Desai then moved that R. B. Khandubhai and Messrs. Motabhai Motilal Bezonji, Chunilal Sarraiya, Markund Mehta be nominated Vice-Chairmen of the Reception Committee. Messrs. N. M. Pakwasa and Dayabhai Kalyanji Desai, repectively seconded and supported, the latter gentleman observing that Mr. Motabhai was the grand old man of Surat.

Then was passed unanimously and amidst vociferous cheers the resolution nominating the Hon. Dr. Rash Behari Ghosh, C. I. E., D. C. L., as the President of the ensuing Congress. The resolution that had for some days past agitated the whole of the country, not excluding Surat, was moved by that premier patriotic citizen of Gujarat, Dewan Bahadur Ambalal Sakerlal, and supported by Messrs. Anupraw, Ramanbhai, Ambashankar, Gandhi and Dr. Ranu'al.

The Dewan Bahadur in moving the proposition spoke highly about the forensic abilities, literary attainments and public charities of the President-elect in the cause of National Education and the Swadeshi movement. He referred to his able speech, in the last Viceregal Council, condemning the Seditious Meetings Act. Several representative speakers spoke in the same train. The passing of the resolution evoked a loud outburst of applause.

Then from the chair were moved three resolutions, one expressing the country's deep joy at the recovery and safe return to India of Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji and wishing him long life and peace; the second according sincerest congratulations to Lala Lajpatrai on his release and giving him a cordial invitation to attend this year's Congress as a delegate, and the third welcoming Rutherford Dr. M. P. who has rendered great service to India in Parliament and is coming as delegate of the British India Committee. Another resolution constituted the Vice-Chairmen and the Secretaries as the Executive Committee to make all necessary arrangements for making the Congress a success. A vote of thanks to the Chairman and the Trustees of the Institute terminated the proceedings.

The Hon. Mr. G. K. Gokhale who had been received with tremendous cheers when he entered the hall, in moving the formal resolution of thanks, said that he was very much gratified at the happy termination of the meeting. He said that they all had misgivings as regards the result, but he was happy to find that they were falsified; and the nomination of the President was made unanimously. He said that he did not regret differences of opinions, nay, he desired that there should be differences, in order to put life in them, but then he insisted that in the interests of their country, which is passing through a very critical period, those differences should never be allowed to go beyond a certain point. It was the Hon. Mr. Gokhale's sweet and persuasive tongue and his honest sincerity that appealed to the good sense of the Surat young enthusiasts, who were a force not to be treated with contempt. If it was not for the presence of Mr. Gokhale, and other outside friends from Bombay and Ahmedabad, the proceedings would not have been so harmoniously conducted.

THE LADIES' CORNER.

NOVELTIES IN WRISTBAGS.

Among the many novelties and distinctly new things shown in the shops are dainty little wristbags of leather decorated with tiny bands of leather in a contrasting shade, the designs in brown and fawn being very effective, while the purple bags with bands of pale mauve are very dainty. These bags are in envelope shape, and many of them are set with tiny watches. A reseda suede bag is wonderfully fresh and attractive, with its trimmings of plain silver-gilt and a narrow stitches strap of the suede forming the handle. Another smart bag of soft suede in a lovely shade of brown has the outside smocked near the top. Two or three rows of the smoking appear below the narrow silver-gilt rim, and this bag is large enough to hold the three beauty accessories—the puff case, the mirror, and the powder box. These bags come in other shades, too, in the fashionable purple and lavender, in grey, brown ranging from tan, and in blue. It is also the fad to have the wristbag match or at least shade into the colour of the costume. In the more costly varieties at the jewellers the gold mesh "Dorothy" bag is still to the fore, the crocheted lace design being one of the prettiest. Novels designs are shown in the weaving of some of these bags, and little strips of braid intricately worked alternate with bands of plain gold linke. Often platinum and gold are used in the same design, with introductions of semi-precious stones. Another novel idea is to have the bag outlined with a plain band of gold, with floral designs in enamel tinted in orange and green. The solid gold bag comes in the shape of a pocket-book, open on the side and attached to a gold chain. This bag is large enough to hold visiting cards, a powder puff, and a mirror. An elaborate jewelled bag follows the lines of a butterfly, while another design represents a turtle. These bags are richly enamelled and decorated with jewels, and the openings are cleverly concealed. Everything old-fashioned is once more to the fore and the high back-comb for the coiffure is one of the most recent revivals. Some of the designs shown are of real tortoise-shell ornamented with cameos, and one design in gold shows a festoon of roses intertwined with foliage in gold.

SMART FROCKS AT THE NEW THEATRE.

Several smart and pretty frocks are worn in "Mrs. Ellison's Answer," at the New Theatre.

As Mrs. Ellison, Miss Granville wears a series of charming toilettes. The cinnamon brown cloth coat and skirt, in which she makes her first appearance, is made with the coat cut very long. The collar and cuffs are in velvet of a darker shade. A dainty little jabot of frills of lace finishes the neck, and Miss Granville wears a large black hat trimmed with ospreys, and a black lace veil. The evening gown which she wears in the same act is a magnificent creation of gold net over gold tissue. The skirt is richly embroidered with gold thread, and the corsage is decorated with turquoise and gold embroidery. The grey crepe de Chine which Miss Granville wears in the second act is a very becoming toilette. It is cut with a princesse effect at the front, where a panel of dyed lace, edged with ball fringe, covers the entire front of the gown. The sleeves are on kimono lines, with a tight-fitting undersleeve. A violet velvet toque, trimmed with grey and mauve plumage, and a stole and muff of smoked fox complete the toilette. Very handsome, too, is mole velvet coat and skirt worn in the last act. Coat and skirt are heavily embroidered, and trimmed with silk tassels. The blouse underneath is of mole-coloured crepe de Chine, and toque, stole and muff are of moleskin. Miss Lucy Wilson's motoring costume in the second act is a very dainty outfit. Over her white serge gown she wears a long coat of the same material with wide kimono sleeves and smart revers of black silk edged with gold braid. A dainty linen stock and cravat of black taffetas at the neck give a smart finish, and a turban-shaped motoring hat and white lace veil are also worn. Miss Wilson's dress in the last act is a very lovely thing. Of rich cream silk it is cut on princesse and decorated with silk embroidery and lace. Miss Claudia Lasell, in the part of Patricia Cornelia Wilkeyne, an American girl, wears a couple of sensational frocks. In the first act she wears a rather vivid toilette in which geranium pink is the dominant colour. The coat is a picturesque garment, very quaintly cut and finished with black velvet and gold buttons. With this is worn a geranium pink picture hat lined with black satin and trimmed with big flowers of geranium pink velvet and a sweeping black plume.

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THE HUGHES MEDAL.

The Hughes Medal offered by the Royal Society for research work in the department of electricity and magnetism has been awarded to Dr. E. H. Griffiths, M.A., F.R.S., Principal of the University College of South Wales. Both the founder of the prize and the recipient are Welshmen of renown. The medal is called after the name of a former Fellow of the Royal Society, who, although London born, claimed to be a son of Wales. Amongst his inventions was the microphone, and so marketable did his patents prove that he left about three-quarters of a million. Dr. Griffiths, this year's medalist, is a native of Brecon.

THE 5TH LANCERS AND THEIR RECORD.

Of the six regiments of Lancers on the cavalry establishment the 5th (Royal Irish) stand first in order of precedence. Their record of active service commences with Blenheim, whereas none of the other corps belonging to this branch took the field prior to the Peninsular days. After campaigning under Marlborough, the 5th returned to England from Malplaquet and settled down to a long spell of garrison duty. They were not actively engaged again, indeed, until 1885, when they served in the Soudan Expedition of that year. On the outbreak of hostilities in South Africa they served throughout the siege of Ladysmith.

MONSIGNOR J. S. VAUGHAN.

It is stated that the vacancy in the Roman Catholic See of Northampton by the recent death of Bishop Riddell is likely to be filled by the appointment of the Right Rev. Monsignor J. S. Vaughan (youngest brother of the late Cardinal and of Father Bernard Vaughan). Monsignor Vaughan, who has long stood in the foremost rank of London pulpit orators, was some three years ago created a canon of the Westminister Chapter. Shortly

BOOKS AND BOOKMEN.

An interesting literary anniversary occurs this month, when the "Atlantic Monthly" celebrates its "semi-centennial," or, as we should say in this country, its jubilee. It was in November, 1857, that the first number of this excellent periodical made its appearance, under the editorship of James Russell Lowell. It is thus the oldest of the admirable magazines in regard to which literary America must be confessed to have been a step or two in front of the old country—for Thackeray had not yet formed the idea of the "Cornhill," which was the first English magazine run on the same lines,—but it has always been regarded as one of the best. The first number of the "Atlantic Monthly" is chiefly remembered nowadays because it was in it that the first part of "The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table" made its appearance. Lowell made it a condition of his editorship that he should be allowed to enlist Oliver Wendell Holmes as a contributor and assistant. Holmes threw himself into the enterprise with enthusiasm, and is said to have actually suggested the title under which the new venture came out.

As Mr. Howells, a later editor, observed, he "not only named but made" it, for it was the "Breakfast Table" papers to which the "Atlantic Monthly" owed its success. Mr. Morse tells us that in the commercial panci of the end of 1857 the new magazine would have inevitably failed had it not been for these charming essays. "Their originality of conception, their wit and humour, their suggestions of what then seemed bold ideas, and their expression of New Englandism all combined to make them so popular that the most harassed merchant in that gloomy winter purchased them as a dose of cheering medicine." It is not often that anything so paractical as this can be said in commendation of mere essays; nowadays it is the novel which has usurped their place as the cheerer-up of the afflicted. It was Lowell, however, who stamped on the "Atlantic Monthly" its character for literary distinction and for bold speech on public affairs, but that would not have sufficed for popular success without the help of the Autocrat.

NAPOLEON'S TITLES.

The announcement of a new work dealing with the titles conferred by Napoleon. "L'Armorial du Premier Empire," sets one thinking of a curious story in the history of mankind. One of the chief objects of the French Revolution was to do away with all ranks of nobility, all artificial distinctions between men. In less than twenty years after the fall of the Bastille the need for such toys had made itself so strongly felt that not only were the "ci-devant" nobles allowed to flaunt their titles without danger, but Napoleon thought it necessary to devise a whole new system of nobility for his Imperial Court. When Berlier, one of his leading jurists, objected to the institution of the Legion of Honour under the Consulate, Buonaparte answered: "Well; men are led by toys. I would not say that in a rostrum, but in a council of wise men and statesmen one ought to speak one's mind. I don't think that the French love liberty and equality; the French are not at all changed by ten years of revolution; they are what the Gauls were—fierce and fickle. They have one feeling—honour. We must nourish that feeling; they must have distinctions. See how they fall down before the stars of foreigners." Some affected to laugh at the new nobles when they were raised above the common herd of citizens by a stroke of the Imperial pen in 1804, but the general feeling seems at the time to have been in their favour. The Faubourg St. Germain still looks down on the peers of Napoleon's creation, but the titles are still in evidence, in this new Armorial is a work in which Balzac would have delighted. It is odd to remember that the power of literature is witnessed by one conspicuous absence from its pages; Napoleon dared most things, but even his courage was not equal to removing the ban which, once for all, the genius of Moliere had placed upon the title of Marquis.

THE LATE GERALD MASSEY.

Gerald Massey was a minor poet of considerable reputation in the third quarter of the nineteenth century, but is remembered to-day for other reasons. His spirited ballads of the Crimean War are forgotten now that we have Mr. Kipling for our Tyrtæus, and "Babe Christabel" is not even known by name to the majority of modern readers. It is possible that future generations will think of him chiefly as the original of Alton Locke, if, indeed, it is true that Kingsley drew that vivid figure from the young Chartist who became editor of the "Spirit of Freedom" at the age of 21 in the year in which that book was published. Probably there was only a small element of Massey in Alton Locke, though the coincidence between the two young Chartist poets, one in Kingsley's novel and the other in real life, could hardly fail to strike many who knew Massey by repute rather than in person. Apart from his verse, Massey's chief contribution to literature was a bulky treatise on the vexed question of Shakspere's Sonnets in which he endeavoured to rescue our great poet's memory from the shame which some foolish people attach to the normal interpretation of these exquisite poems by the discovery of a "secret history" in them. According to Massey, Shakspere began in 1592 to address sonnets to his patron Southampton, who presently engaged the young poet to write love sonnets on his behalf to Elizabeth Vernon. Assuming also the feelings of the lady, Shakspere wrote her replies to the Earl; hence the peculiarities of many of the sonnets which have sorely puzzled commentators with their noses in the sand. The best criticism on this elaborate work is that of Professor Dowden: "Mr. Massey writes with zeal; with a faith in his own opinions which finds scepticism hard to explain except on some theory of intellectual or moral obliquity; and he exhibits a wide miscellaneous reading. The one thing Mr. Massey's elaborate theory seems to me to lack is some evidence in its support. His arguments may well remain unanswered. One hardly knows how to tug at the other end of a rope of sand."

MORE ABOUT SPENCER.

The Spencer Trustees announce that a volume containing the "Life and Letters" of Herbert Spencer is shortly to be published. The very full and interesting autobiography which Spencer left for publication after his death has already told most of us as much as we want to know about that great philosopher's intellectual life. But it was only brought down to 1882 with any fulness of treatment; the next eleven years were rather huddled up, and the last ten years of Spencer's life found no mention at all in its pages. The "Life and Letters," which are to occupy "one volume of moderate size," according to the wish expressed by their subject, will accordingly be a welcome supplement—all the more so as it is announced that the incidents described in the "Autobiography" will not be repeated. Spencer, of course, was in intimate communication with some of the greatest thinkers of his time, and his letters to them should throw additional light on his intellectual development. Perhaps, however, the most interesting thing in the book will be the appendix on "The Filiation of Ideas," which Spencer wrote in the last years of his life, and which is stated to be a curious intellectual history of himself.

MEMOIRS OF MISTRAL.

These interesting memoirs of the Provencal poet follow close upon his election last year to the Nobel Prize for patriotic literature and his refusal of Academy honours. Mistral was born at Maillane in 1830, and sent to school first at St. Michel de Frigolet and afterwards at Avignon. His scribblings during vespers, chiefly translations of the Psalms into the Provencal tongue, brought him into contact with his young schoolmaster Roumanille, alike deeply interested in their native language. These two and another scholar, Mathieu, were the first of the "Felibres," the founders of "Felibrige," by which is meant the restoration of the Oc language. The renaissance of primitive poetry was begun in 1852 with the publication of "Les Provencales." The principal contributor was Roumanille, whose poem "Les Creches" Sainte-Beuve declared to be worthy of Klopstock. According to the Memoirs, Mathieu appears to have done little except first with laundry-maids and their mistresses; certainly the bulk of the work fell upon Mistral. "Mireio," afterwards adopted by Gounod as the libretto of "Mireille," was written in 1856, when Mistral was still a very young man, and published three years later. Lamartine seems to have been greatly excited, and hailed Mistral as the Burns of France, the Provencal Homer. He gives us a portrait: "As the sun was setting Adolphe Dumas entered my room, followed by a fine, modest looking young man, dressed with a sober elegance which recalled the lover of Laure when he brushed his black tunic and combed his smooth hair in the city of Avignon." Perhaps Mistral's greatest and certainly his most useful work is his "Treasury of Felibrige," a colossal dictionary of the Oc dialects in all their ramifications. It must be remembered that the Felibres were not content with keeping the language alive; their aim was to dock it of its corruptions and distortions, and to restore to the written language the purity of the spoken word still prevailing among the primitive peasants.

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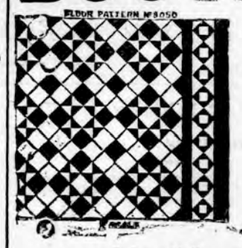

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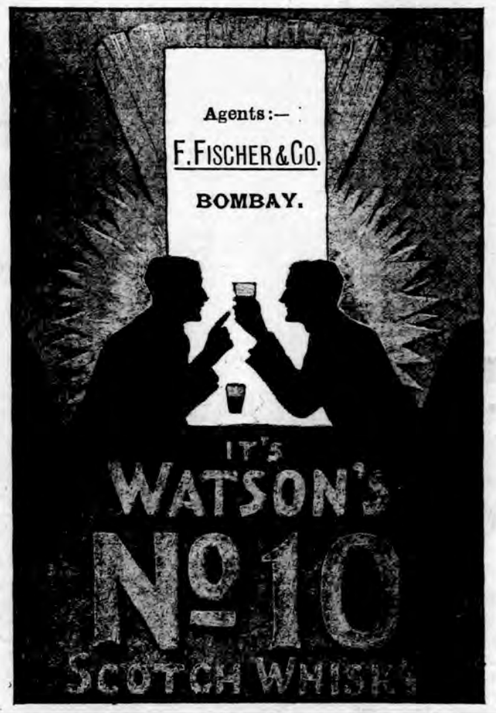

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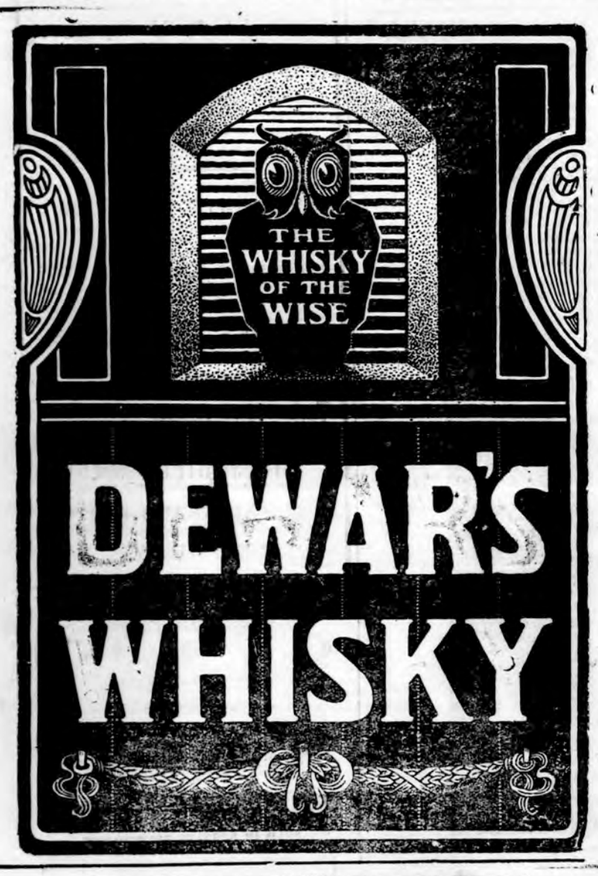

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